

THE FRIENDS OF ST MARY'S CATHEDRAL BASILICA
COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
FRIDAY 4 JUNE 2021 @ 5.00PM
AT CATHEDRAL HOUSE

OPENING PRAYER: Led by Richard Flynn

PRESENT: Marguerite Ghafari, Carolyn Lewis, Catherine Priestley, Richard Flynn, Anthony Restuccia and Sev Milazzo - QUORUM:

APOLOGIES: Fr Don Richardson

NEXT MEETING: Friday 16 July 2021 at 5pm at Cathedral House.

MINUTES: Minutes of meeting of 23 April 2021, moved by Richard Flynn and seconded by Carolyn Lewis were accepted.

BUSINESS ARISING:

1. The meeting sought by Anthony Restuccia between the President, the Secretary and himself did not proceed at his request;
2. The CCI Public Risk Liability has been renewed and will be re-examined at the next meeting;
3. Video Clips - the subcommittee had meeting with Helen M from Cathedral House who was very supportive and provided invaluable assistance for plans, insurance coverage, drone footage & waiving of those fees. Now looking at scripts and story board production and quotes.
4. (a) Cardinal Gilroy Zoom Presentation - 32 attendees. Well received and informative. Archivist is happy to do another presentation on an Archives topic. President is looking at editing the Gilroy presentation for YouTube.
(b) There are 9 registrations for the live Thomas Wilson on 19 August 2021 on the Cathedral's organs.

5. OLHOC Dinner - Formal Invitation was issued to His Grace on 27 April 2021 - RSVP emailed by Leonia Kim on 14 May 2021 advising his inability to attend as a conflicting event which the Archbishop is required to attend. The email also thanked the Friends for the invitation, conveyed his apologies, his very best wishes and hopes to be present at another OLHOC Dinner in the future. Bishop Umbers was similarly unable to come. It was hoped that with his media following he might have been able to attract a younger contingent to the Dinner. The Dinner was quite a success with very favourable comment on the canapes, menu and relaxed and welcoming ambience. Income \$4075 received - Invoice \$3201-68 with profit for the evening of \$873. It was thought that the late May evening function precluded more of the membership from attending.

Treasurer's Report:

The Treasurer presented her inaugural report which was well received.

Revenue - \$9,018

Expenses - \$3,758

Profit - \$5,260

Cash at bank - \$32,273

The Treasurer noted that our membership income exceeded our expenses.

2021 Events:

1. Thomas Wilson's talk on the cathedral organs is set for 19 August 2021.
2. The President will liaise with the Dean for dates for presentation in July 2021 on Cathedral carvings.
3. The launch of the Dean's de luxe coffee table book on the cathedral stained glass windows on a date to be determined - November ?
4. Informal lunch / afternoon tea proposed for September to coincide with Our Lady's Birthday with possible consideration for Saturday / Sunday option. Canvass House options.

AGM is scheduled for September / October in the Chapter House with further discussions to be held closer to the event.

Secretary proposed that a survey of members' wishes and choices of functions, timing etc be undertaken which he is happy to formulate for the AGM.

Correspondence:

IN:

1. CCI statement showing payment 90 day overdue of \$1502.04 - PAID 1 May 2021.
2. CBA statement 30 April 2021 - balance \$32,467.16 CR
3. CBA requesting Tax Residency details.

Donations:

Marguerite donated another \$300.

New Members:

1. Fr John Knight, single, annual membership;
2. Angela Chan, life membership; and
3. Bill and Sharon Dawes, joint, annual membership.

Applications for the above 4 for membership have been received, considered and approved with receipt of payments.

GENERAL BUSINESS:

1. Carolyn asked whether the Friends would provide approximately 15 or so albs for Cathedral College students from Years 7-12 assisting at Mass and other services in the Cathedral. Moved by Carolyn and seconded by Sev Milazzo: APPROVED IN PRINCIPLE.
2. Anthony Restuccia requested a copy of the Friends' charity registration documentation which the President would email to him.

CLOSING PRAYER: Led by Richard Flynn:

We thank you, O Lord, for Thy gifts as we particularly remember the generosity of the Friends, past and present, and we ask that You reward with eternal life those who have gone before us and that You bless us who live that we might glorify Your Name. Amen.

Signature of President, Richard Flynn: