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QUEANBEYAN BUSINESS COUNCIL QUARTERLY MEETING QUEANBEYAN LEAGUES CLUB TUESDAY, 30th MAY 2006 at 4 pm

Present: 37 attendees as per separate list attached to original minutes. President Ian McNamee opened the Meeting by welcoming Special Guest Dr. Allan Hawke and Mayor of Queanbeyan Cr. Frank Pangallo MBE.

- 1. Apologies :** Hon. Gary Nairn MP, Steve Whan MP, Paul Whalan, Darryl Evans, Graham Wise, Loyd Perin, David Bellew, Bill Baker, Claire Marlow, Craig Harris, Bob Winnel.
- 2. Adoption of Minutes and matters arising from Executive meeting 2nd May 2006 - CM/NM**

3. Treasurer's Report

Tabled by Secretary on behalf of Treasurer – detailed copy attached to original minutes. Summary as follows:

Reconciled Bank Balance 30 th April 2006	\$122,733.13
Total Equity at 30 th April 2006	\$ 61,473.41
P&L for April 2006	\$ 3,277.86

Accepted SMT/GS

4. Correspondence

Inwards:

- Stuart Warner QCC re Electronic Sign Board - responded
- Graham Taylor QCC re Sydney Children's Hospital Gold Week – forwarded to all members
- GV Rudd Transport not renewing membership
- Border Stainless Steel not renewing membership

Accepted SMT/SJ

5. Reports:

- **Retail Chapter from Meeting of 24 May (KB)**
Minutes distributed to all Chapter members. Minutes previously posted to web site and advised to all Members.

Minutes presented to Members by Geoff Bird. There were no questions or comments from the floor.

- **Tourism Chapter from Meeting of 23 May (BB)**
Minutes distributed to all Chapter members. Minutes previously posted to web site and advised to all Members.

Minutes presented to Members by Geoff Bird.

Queanbeyan in Bloom proposal to be an Agenda item at the next Executive Meeting. There were no further questions or comments from the floor.

- **Development Chapter from Meeting of 22 May (LP)**
Minutes distributed to all Chapter members. Minutes previously posted to web site and advised to all Members.

Minutes presented to Members by Geoff Bird. There were no questions or comments from the floor.

6. Business Expo 2007 (SMT)

Simon Mitchell-Taverner attended a meeting on Wednesday 17th May attended by Regional Events Australia, AusIndustry, Australian Business and Capital Region ACC, with apologies from NSW Department of State & Regional Development, Capital Region BEC, Business ACT and ISO. It was made clear that NSW DSRD is "right behind the event".

The aim of the event, to be held on Wednesday 23rd and Thursday 24th May 2007, is "To educate, motivate and network businesses within the Capital Region that employ less than 50 people".

It will be called Capital Region Business Expo and will have the positioning statement "Business to Business – One on One".

The event will be held at the Hellenic Club in Woden as organisers stated there was no venue in Queanbeyan that could handle the event. This should be monitored to ensure event does not become Canberra Centric.

7. Proposed one-way traffic system (JW)

This proposal was raised at previous Development and Executive Meetings. It had been forwarded to all Members at the request of the Retail Chapter at its Meeting of 24th May, and included as an Agenda item for the Quarterly Meeting.

Geoff Bird introduced the idea's proponent John Walker stating that this was not intended as a 'cure-all' proposal but rather an idea from a Member who had a background in transport analysis – an idea that might complement other recent suggestions such as the Crawford Street part closure being considered as part of "Queanbeyan Tomorrow".

John Walker advised he had previously run programs in the UK to work out what would happen to traffic across road networks if new large scale residential developments or new bypasses were permitted. Some of these programs are still being used today.

Written submissions from Dr. Ross Bills and Nick Moufarrige had been received prior to the meeting. At the meeting, Nick Moufarrige suggested that this public meeting was not the forum for this discussion. Mayor Frank Pangallo noted that the Low Level Morisset Street bridge had a load limit of 37 tonnes which would preclude B Doubles and that 14,000 vehicles per day used Morisset Street already.

Resolved that this proposal be referred to the next Executive Meeting.

8. General Business and Member feedback (IMcN)

Neil Head, QRacing thanked QBC for its support of the Queanbeyan Cup carnival including the Canberra Times Queanbeyan Supplement that preceded the Cup.

9. Presentation by Dr Allan Hawke , Chancellor ANU

Dr Hawke was introduced by President Ian McNamee. Topic – “Not bad for a Queanbeyan Boy”.

Dr Hawke, Chancellor of Australian National University, gave a humorous and inspirational account of his own background and career together with achievements of other well-known Queanbeyan identities from many walks of life. Dr Hawke’s career has included the following appointments:

- Australian High Commissioner to New Zealand
- Head of the Secretariat for the Review of the Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander Commission,
- Secretary of Defence
- Secretary of the Department of Transport and Regional Services
- Secretary to the Department of Veterans’ Affairs
- Chief of Staff to former Prime Minister Paul Keating

His light-hearted advice included:

- Don’t underestimate the importance of bluff and chance in your success
- Don’t take yourself too seriously
- Don’t be seduced by the trappings of your position, and
- Do maintain your sense of humour.

10. Informal networking - Ian McNamee thanked Queanbeyan Leagues Club for hosting and catering for this meeting.

Meeting closed 5.30 pm.