# COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES



## ILLAWARRA METALLURGICAL COAL COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP PROGRAM

	Microsoft Teams
MEETING DATE:	9 September 2021
ATTENDEES:	Amanda Silarski (AS) Alexandra Szalla (ASz) Gareth Parkinson (GP) Max Strassmeir (MS) Shamika Almeida (SA) Kim Chapman (KC) Noleen Jessup (NJ) Daryl Chipperfield (DC)
OBSERVERS:	Kathleen Swinbourne (KS)
APOLOGIES:	Christine Towndrow (CT) James McFarlane (JM) Matthew Deeth (MD)

#### 1 WELCOME/APOLOGIES

AS opened the meeting at 6:20pm and noted apologies from CT, JM and MD.

AS welcomed KS to the meeting as an observer. AS presented Acknowledgement to Country.

## 2 Previous Meeting Minutes

Meeting minutes from the previous meeting held 8 July 2021 were accepted. Moved DC, seconded NJ.

Updates on actions was provided:

- AS still to plan the local indigenous program offer to schools. AS advised this action has been
  placed on hold. AS is currently working on broader Aboriginal Engagement Plan with the
  business that may support the CPP's desire for local school's program.
- AS emailed the Committee regarding Lifeline Macarthur's response. AS advised the \$30,000 donation toward the financial counselling was approved.
- AS notified Scouts NSW of the Committee's decision to withdraw committed funds to the Mountain Bike Trail Project and requested a new application when the project is ready to progress.
- AS requested the Scouts NSW funding be returned to available funds.

#### 4 APPLICATIONS

#### **NEW APPLICATIONS**

#### 1. Douglas Park Public School

Funding sought: \$4,983.00 excl. GST Total project: \$4,983.00 excl. GST

The CPP proactively contacted Douglas Park Public School offering funding to support the school during COVID. The School advised electronic devices were needed to support students learning online. The devices would remain the property of Douglas Park Public School and used in classroom settings once students return.

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The Committee endorsed \$4,983 via email in September 2021 to support home schooling, providing eight laptops for students use.

#### 2. Wilton Public School

Funding sought: \$5,742.00 excl. GST Total project: \$5,742.00 excl. GST

The CPP contacted Wilton Public School offering funding to support the school during COVID. The School advised assistance with more online learning platforms would improve the engagement of students and assist teachers/parents in delivering course material.

The Committee endorsed \$5,742 via email in September 2021 to support home schooling, providing assistance with subscriptions for online learning.

#### 3. Cawdor Public School

Funding sought: \$5,480.00 excl. GST Total project: \$5,480.00 excl. GST

The CPP contacted Cawdor Public School offering funding to support the school during COVID. The School advised electronic devices were needed to support students learning online. The devices would remain the property of Cawdor Public School and used in classroom settings once students return

The Committee endorsed \$5,480 via email in September 2021 to support home schooling, providing five laptops for students use.

#### 4. Appin Public School

Funding sought: \$4,983.00 excl. GST Total project: \$4,983.00 excl. GST

The CPP contacted Appin Public School offering funding to support the school during COVID. The School advised electronic devices were needed to support students learning online. The devices would remain the property of Appin Public School and used in classroom settings once students return.

The Committee endorsed \$4,983 via email in September 2021 to support home schooling, providing eight laptops for students use.

#### PENDING APPLICATIONS

#### **Picton High School**

The CPP contacted Picton High School offering funding to support the school during COVID. The school accepted the information and shared with the Principal. Deadline to accept the offer is 14 September 2021 to ensure funding is provided during time of need.

## Menangle Community Association - Menangle Community Hall

AS provided an update on project plans. Other funding sources are under investigation by the Association which may result in CPP funding not being required. To be removed from future agendas.

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## **Opportunities for Funding**

AS noted Illawarra Metallurgical Coal staff are raising funds for the Shining Stars Foundation in September through a step challenge. The Shining Stars Foundation deliver a number of services to the Wollondilly Shire area including mental health, emergency food hampers in conjunction with Second Bite, Aus Harvest and Foodbank.

The Committee discussed further COVID funding opportunities to assist in mental health and domestic and family violence in the Wollondilly area. The Committee agreed to proactively contact Shining Stars Foundation and a domestic and family violence organisation with the offer of \$10,000 funding each.

Action: AS contact Shining Stars Foundation and a domestic and family violence organization with the offer of funding. Applications to be circulated to the Committee via email for endorsement prior to next meeting.

#### 5 PROMOTIONAL OPPORTUNITIES

- Lifeline Macarthur
  - AS noted a media release regarding the financial counselling.
- School support

As advised the support provided to local schools would be shared via media release and in the next newsletter. The Committee discussed the opportunity to hear from students via social media.

## 6 GENERAL BUSINESS

- As reminded members to complete the anti-corruption training when possible. Some members noted they could not access the training AS would follow up outside the meeting.
- AS advised the celebration event for the Committee and community partners remains on the agenda. Due to COVID restrictions it is likely to be planned early in the new year.
- MS provided an update on the COLA for Douglas Park Oval. Further funding was requested from the Mulwaree Trust with a decision expected in November. Funding had been secured from the Member for the project.
- MS questioned if Longwall904 has commenced. GP advised it had not yet started.
- DC requested information on works occurring on Mount Taurus. AS/GP noted activities in this location were not being conducted by IMC.

## **Meeting Dates 2021**

• Thursday 11 November 2021

#### 7 ACTIONS

#### Actions arising from the meeting:

- 1. AS to plan the local indigenous program offer to school in line with the broader Aboriginal Engagement planning being completed by Illawarra Metallurgical Coal.
- 2. AS contact Shining Stars Foundation and a domestic and family violence organization with the offer of funding. Applications to be circulated to the Committee via email for endorsement prior to next meeting.

### 8 CLOSE OF MEETING

Close of meeting at 6:45pm.

Next Meeting: Thursday, 11 November 2021 commencing at 6:00pm.