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MINUTES OF COMMITTEE MEETING OF BUDDHIST COUNCIL OF QUEENSLAND

MEETING DATE: October 7, 2006 **TIME**: 9.47am

VENUE: Karuna House – Windsor (outside)

ATTENDANCE: As Per Attendance Book

QUORUM: Yes

APOLOGIES: Donna Imeri, Chee Weng

CHAIRPERSON: Jim Ferguson SECRETARY: Rachel Hannam

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

Minutes of previous meeting were not available due to technical issues – to present at next meeting.

MATTERS ARISING OUT OF MINUTES

n/a

CORRESPONDENCE:

IN: 1. Brochures received from Dalai Lama In Aust promoting 2007 visit.

- 2. Children's Commission a positive notice for S. Filla i.e. Blue Card
- 3. Receipts for Insurance and Fee for Multicultural Festival on Oct 15.
- 4. Phone a/c from Optus.
- 5. Insurance renewal for Public Liability for \$600.00

OUT: none – fabc emails will be tabled at the next meeting using the thread addons to minimise the volumes of documents. One issue revolves who actually represents Buddhists in Australia. Rachel also mentioned a call from Bruce Bickerstaff and advised the Council will not support his proposal – Jim still to follow up.

Moved: Jim Ferguson Seconded: David Wee Accepted

MATTERS ARISING FROM CORRESPONDENCE

none

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Kim advises that our bank balance after previous expenses paid is \$666.07 plus \$50.00 in petty cash, making a total cash funds balance of \$716.07. We have to pay \$9.55 for Optus phone, leaving a balance of about \$50.00. Kim said there is now a late payment fee if not paid and Kim proposed that we establish a direct debit for the phone payment, seconded by David and carried.

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Regarding the public liability, Jim said this is a statutory requirement and must be paid and since available funds don't cover both the insurance premium and the printing costs, Jim has agreed to pay the cost of the printing himself (\$280) so the insurance can be paid.

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BUSINESS ON NOTICE:

GENERAL BUSINESS:

a. Multi-Cultural Festival 2006 – Jim advises confirmation of support from Chenrezig and Old Zen Centre, also Langri Tangpa, Dharma Metta Garden and Rongton Buddhist Centre – all providing people and most also information. Karuna/Mandala Books and Pureland providing books etc for distribution. All centres are welcome to deliver and display any quantity of their own centre information. Rachel confirmed her trailer is available for pickup. Kim mentioned that Pureland are not providing any people this time, which is disappointing, and whether we should collect all their boxes (60) without their support. Jim said the focus is spreading the dharma and the extended time this year may utilise such a quantity. Jim said he will collect the trailer Saturday afternoon from Toombul, pick up the books from Calamvale and hold overnight to deliver and setup Sunday morning at Roma Street. We still need confirmation of bunting etc. to determine what else we need to obtain before Sunday and if necessary Jim will buy some prayer flags or similar. Jim commented on our good fortune in NOT winning a food stall this time around - but we should still try for next year. Jim has also identified a tea wholesaler and was keen to help us next year if we want to offer a chai stall or such. He said that the volume is measured in thousands of litres for such products - he sold 300kg of dry tea in Woodford last year. Jim will stay there until the end to breakdown the stand. Kim reminded the need for addressed envelopes which Jim said he will provide. Jim also stated that due to his other commitments, he must have anything for pickup, including posters etc. available for this Wednesday or Thursday at the latest since he will be in Toowoomba on Friday and Saturday morning. Jim also commented that there is no on-site parking this year either so the trailer will require a set-down and removal time.

none			
NEXT MEETING:			
DATE: November 4, 2006	TIME: 9.30am	VENUE:	Karuna Hospice
MEETING CLOSED: 10:45 am			
CHAIRPERSON			
SECRETARY			
DATE:			