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MINUTES OF COMMITTEE MEETING

MEETING DATE: September 18, 2010

TIME: 10:00am

VENUE: Sunnybank Hills Library – Sunnybank Hills

ATTENDANCE: Kim Hollow, Chee Weng, Jenny Le Neveu & Maeve Hollow
and Jim Ferguson.

QUORUM: Yes

APOLOGIES: Ven. Lhagsam, Julie Khoo, David Wee

CHAIRPERSON: Jim Ferguson

SECRETARY: Kim Hollow

1. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MINUTES:

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| (a) July 10, 2010 – Moved by Jim | Seconded by Chee | Accepted |
| (b) August 7, 2010 - Moved by Jim | Seconded by Kim | Accepted |
| (c) August 21, 2010 - Moved by Jim | Seconded by Kim | Accepted |

2. CORRESPONDENCE:

- Letter from FABC
- Seniors Week announcement
- Wat Lao re Khao Pansa invitation
- Donation from IBLP for \$50
- Bank Statement
- New Membership application – James Wilson
- Blue Card Positive Notices
- Community Connect Magazine

It was moved by Kim and seconded by Jenny that wherever possible the BCQ arrange for media publications etc be supplied electronically rather than in print >> Accepted

3. TREASURER'S REPORT:

Present bank balance is \$184.95 with no petty cash, Chee presented a \$10 donation, making total funds now \$194.95. The donation to be banked and drawn as petty cash. Moved by Jenny and seconded by Maeve >> Accepted

Jim moved and seconded by Chee that BCQ reimburse \$100 to the Hollows as part compensation for previous monies spent and owed to them >> Accepted

4. BUSINESS ON NOTICE:

New BCQ Website – Jim reported our site crashed for four days due to the hacking of our site which also brought down all other sites on that server too. This has been rectified now. Kim presented the stats on access through our site and now demonstrates a significant increase in user hits, more than double those of 2007.

Ajahn Brahm's September 22nd Talk @ GU-MFC – Chee expressed concern over the Centre's support for the night, re promotion, audio, access etc and suggested we should also invite the Vice Chancellor to speak and Jim to MC. Chee has also arranged for the catering

and Kim and Maeve will work with the setting up of the seating etc. Kim will make a donation box and bring Q150 Books to seek support for. He has also had an offer from Steve Paxton from 4BC who will do both an audio and video recording of the talk – he is a student of AB and happy to help. The C/Tee also thanked Chee for his excellent work in conjunction with AB's visit.

REAC – Jim advised that the working party on the new EQ RI Fact Sheets is progressing and should have a final set of documents within a month or so and will be placed on line for the 2011 school year.

2011 Qld Week Funding Application – Jim thanked Chee for securing the excellent Letter of Support from GU-MFC for the application. We also received a LoS from Karuna and the FABC. In determining the project budget for the project, Jim also mentioned that the Q150 project was a great tool for learning and so this budget has been built on the knowledge gained from that. The total project value is in excess of \$17,000 and we are seeking just under \$10,000 in grant funding. Kim also mentioned that he has yet to lock in AB as keynote speaker, but will advise in due course. Since everything depends on winning the funding, we now can only just wait.

QSA & BESS Contact – Jim mentioned he has not heard from either entity and upon asking the c/tee no one has had any contact either. Chee has tried to contact Rahu and Maeve sought to call Ven Susila without success.

Multi-Faith Relationships - Chee distributed the video link on the "*Truth About Muslim*" but Jim raised the questions as to its accuracy and bias needs to be clarified. In terms of our general endorsement and support for the multi-faith principle, the decision concluded that we invite expressions of interest via our website for comment from the dharma community generally. It was moved by Jim and seconded by Kim that we seek the Buddhist comment on "multi-faith" >> Accepted. Jim will work out a way of doing so and circulate the proposal to the c/tee for approval before launching it.

5. GENERAL BUSINESS WITHOUT NOTICE:

International Day of Peace – Sept 21 – Maeve raised this again this year, and a discussion was led about being involved next year, requiring the Council getting involved earlier in the year. It was agreed that it should be raised in the new year for further discussion.

NKT – Gold Coast – There is a new Gold Coast based nun, from the New Kadampa Tradition, who is delivering outreach programs, meditations teachings etc from northern NSW to Brisbane and is gaining popularity. Their brochure was tabled detailing her program.

MEETING CLOSED: 12:00 pm

NEXT MEETING: Chenrezig Institute's Big Love Café (to be confirmed)
Address: Johnson's Road, Eudlo
Date: Sunday 12 December 2010 Time booked: 11:00 am

Signed by President: _____ Secretary: _____ Date: __/__/2011