

BRIDGE ART PROJECT

STEERING COMMITTEE MINUTES

Date: Wednesday 28 November, 2018

Time and Location: 4.00pm Home of Barry and Jan Donchi, Boundary Rd, Moama 2731

1.0 Present: Clive Atkinson, Judy Atkinson, Jacqui Berthaume, Chris Bilkey, Barry Donchi, Lynne Gillard, John Kenley, Damian Morgan-Bulled, Nina O'Brien, Kevin Simpson, Peter Williams.

2.0 Apologies: Sonya Cooper, Sue Badham, Monica Morgan, Hayley Lawton, Christine Sebire.

3.0 Minutes of previous meeting of 31 October, 2018

Minutes confirmed. Moved, Barry Donchi Seconded, Judy Atkinson Carried

4.0 Applications for Membership 2018–19

No applications this meeting.

Motion: to accept application received Moved Seconded Carried.

5.0 Business arising. Arts and other Grants (see below)

6.0 Correspondence

Terroir – presentation to two consultations held on 27 & 28 November in Moama available at: https://www.dropbox.com/s/1cn2ite6slDupv2/181127_Bridge%20Arts%20Meeting%20Presentation_final.pptx?dl=0

BAP has written to Mr Lindsay Tanner, RMS seeking to have the property at 2 Boundary Rd, Moama provided to BAP once the bridge construction is complete. Discussions have been entered in to with a member of Mr Tanner's staff. In discussion with Leisel Milan (Terroir project partner), BAP indicated that the landscape architects should consider the property at 2 Boundary Rd as part of the art precinct for planning purposes. This land would ensure that BAP has plenty of land above flood zone to provide for infrastructure and parking.

Motion: to note the correspondence and approve actions Moved Damian Morgan-Bulled Seconded, Peter Williams Carried.

7.0 Reports

7.1 Chris Bilkey presented the Chairman's report.

Chris reported that Leisl Milan and Clair Reynolds had met with Chris, Lynne and Barry to discuss the art precinct in more detail ahead of the two community consultations. We outlined the BAP interest in including the Moama foreshore in the area under consideration, which they had committed to doing. The maps presented at the community consultation show the outer circuit as originally planned including the two bridges, the BAP precinct and the historic Echuca port and arts precinct, but a 'red circuit' showed potential for recreation paths in the riverine forest on the Moama side. Murray River Council will look at what steps might need to be taken to progress

this option. Many ideas were canvassed such as a barge across the river at the new bridge site, establishing a paddling circuit, floodproof walkways..

The two community consultation sessions had been held over the past two days by Terroir and their project partners.

There had been a strong emphasis on Meninya Street issues, with business owners present for the first presentation on Tuesday night at the Moama Bowling Club. Some 30 people attended including a significant number of the project team. The second consultation session included a number of Murray River Council and Campaspe Shire Council representatives. There is great enthusiasm to see the project connect the two towns with art space and recreation paths.

7.2 Secretary Treasurer's Report

A survey has been developed by Terroir and advertised through Murray River Council. Please complete the survey and outline how you see the art precinct developing – survey is available through Murray River Council website.

Finance

Membership runs financial year, so now due for 2018-19. To be financial, members should direct-deposit their \$20 fee to the NAB account: Name - Bridge Art Project Inc. BSB 083 629 A/C No. 94 929 0964. (Please list your surname as reference – or a combination of surname and first name.) Payment received from Nina O'Brien.

Terroir has provided a payment schedule which has been agreed. The first project payment is due at the end of November once the community consultations have been held.

Invoices have been sent to all BAP partners seeking payment of their contribution. Received from Moama Bowling Club, Campaspe Shire Council, and Yorta Yorta. Still awaiting payment from Vic Roads (Major Road Projects) and the Murray River Council contribution of \$30,000 (ex-gst) Once this latter payment is received the \$35,000 first milestone payment will be paid to Terroir.

Small invoices for website hosting also to be paid.

Motion: that the Treasurer be authorised to make the first progress payment to Terroir once funds are available. Moved Peter Williams Seconded John Kenley,
Carried.

8. General Business

8.1 Funding

As outlined above.

2. **Yorta Yorta partnership– MOU** – Damian advised that the Elders were meeting the following week.

8.3 VicRoads / NSW Roads and Maritime Service.

Barry advised that the trees on the NSW side of the alignment would be cut in the coming week and stored at Barry's home for now. The timber removed from Victoria must stay in Victoria. There are 15-20 tonnes in the tree from Warren St. It can be used to promote BAP.

4. Communications

Jacqui advised that there were 100 people on the BAP database and that we should produce a regular newsletter. We should develop a fact sheet so that we have ready information when media and individuals want an outline of the initiative. Chris read out a draft press release reporting on the Terroir community consultations. Minor amendments were suggested. For wide distribution and for inclusion on our website.

Damian advised that communications to indigenous groups should be forwarded by Yorta Yorta.

8.5 James Whitten

Nothing further since last meeting

9 Other Business

Nil.

10 Meeting closed: 5.00pm, followed by dinner, thanks to Barry and Jan.

11 Next Meeting: Wednesday 30 January 2018 4pm. (5th Wednesday to avoid Australia Day)