

AUSTRALIAN INSTITUTE OF TRAVEL AND TOURISM INC

Federal Council Meeting, held 10th floor, 11 Pitt Street Sydney.

Date:- July 3,2007.

Chairman:- James Pegum AFAITT

Present:- James Pegum, Robert Gordon, John Alway.

Apologies:- Harry Levin, Clíodhna Ray (both overseas). Gary Vial.

Minutes:- The minutes of the previous meeting were circulated. Moved:- John Alway, seconded Rob Gordon that the minutes reflected a true and correct record of the previous meeting.

Matter Arising from previous minutes:- Noted and received.

Treasurers Report:- The Report was tabled and moved Rob Gordon and seconded John Alway that the report be accepted and attached to this set of minutes and be made available for distribution to all members if requested.

Travel expenses for John Alway and Rob Gordon to attend the meeting were approved. Payment for SmartArtist web hosting was also approved. Moved James Pegum, seconded Rob Gordon..

Account balance as at July 3 2007, \$14692.57

Correspondence:-

Inward:- Account from SmartArtist regarding web hosting for AITT website. Statement of Merchant Fees from Bank of South Australia. GPO box renewal notices.

General Business:- The Chairman advised that the AITT Melbourne GPO Box was to be cancelled and a new PO Box was to be opened in Queensland. He also advised that the quest for a new Federal Secretariat was proceeding well in Southern Queensland. Full details will be released to all members when finalised.

At 11.00 am Colin Morris from Showcase Publications joined the meeting. Colin advised that the new AITT website and members guide was proceeding at "full steam". All councillors agreed that the new look website was well presented and a credit to the planners. Colin advised that sales were going ahead as expected and that the website and guide will be completed by November 2007 and distributed by December 2007. Showcase will take over the AITT website by license and maintain it's currency until otherwise advised by either party.

Membership:- In accordance with the AITT Constitution, the Federal Board, after consultation is pleased to announce that the following members have been raised to the following membership classification. James Pegum to Honorary Life Fellow for his long and dedicated service to the AITT as NSW

committee and for the last 6 years as Chairman of the Board of Directors of AITT. Robert Gordon was raised to Honorary Life Fellow for his long service on the Queensland Chapter and as Federal Treasurer for the last 6 years. Gary Vial was raised to Honorary Life Fellow for his long service on the South Australian Chapter and as Federal Councillor for the last 6 years. John Alway was raised to Honorary Life Fellow for his service as Treasurer and Committee Member for over 10 years on the Victorian Chapter and for the past 4 years as Federal Councillor. Further announcements are imminent for other members. Letters of congratulation and new certificates are to be dispatched.

The matter of membership in general was discussed and the Board agreed that all outstanding membership dues would be forgiven. It also agreed that a letter be sent to all members asking them to renew (pay membership) for 12 months and the Board would add a free 6 months to the subscription. A letter was drafted and approved for distribution.

Affiliations:- The Chairman advised that he will be endeavouring to get some response to his previous letter to The Travel Institute of America.. The UK affiliation is currently on hold depending on the outcome with the Americans.

The meeting was closed at 3.30pm.