

## Brunswick Valley U3A Committee

### MINUTES of 7<sup>th</sup> March 2017

Opened: 3:30pm by the president.

Present: Roger and Denise Curran, John Youdan, Merle Siwicki

Apologies: Dot Andrews, Toni Spruce

Minutes: Accepted on the motion of Denise, seconded Merle

Correspondence: Nil

Treasurer's Report: Not presented

Reports: Not presented

#### Matters Arising

- Heritage House visit generally most successful with 33 members attending . Valuable experience as it fitted time and budget as well as providing a learning experience for members. Comment that tables of two not appropriate for social outing. Some negative comments about the lack of amplification for the speaker. Noted for next excursion. See General Business re implications for Tweed Gallery proposal.
- Email update not complete but has proved valuable as approximately 15 out-of-date email address have been amended already.
- No suggestions in Suggestion Box so far.
- Last meeting minutes approved and will go onto website. **Denise** to action.
- Draft membership recruitment posters were presented for comment. In B&W so not a good representation. Coloured version (plus the latest draft) to be emailed to committee. We don't have good photos of members activities. **Roger** to ask for photography expertise at Tuesday Forum.
- Newsletter the stories/profiles of our U3A members as collected by Gloria Constine well received. To be continued. **Denise** to action.
- Possible outing to the Lismore Recycling Depot not going ahead as they were not comfortable with arranging for a group out of Shire.

#### General Business:

- Proposed Tweed Heads excursion at end of May. Needs more investigation re tour sizes, refreshment arrangements etc. Raised issues of time that members are prepared to commit to this style of Tuesday meeting as the normal two hours may stretch to four or more. *(On making further enquiries I have been informed that they are closed on Tuesdays.)*

- Suggested the members be surveyed regarding time/money prepared to be spent on this sort of activity. To raise wider question also – do members want only social or must there be an educational component too? **Denise and Roger** to look into devising this survey, both on paper for Tuesday Forum attendees and online for other members.
- Suggested that Brunswick Heads Visitor Centre be approached for excursion ideas. **Denise** to action.
- Posters/Publicity – proposed that photos may need to be staged (not just snaps) to get suitable quality.
- New course proposed – Growing orchids. Probably once a month on Saturday.
- Noted a number of members did attend the Mayor's Morning Tea for Seniors Week.

Next Meeting: Tuesday April 4<sup>th</sup>, Ocean Shores Tavern, 3:30pm

Meeting closed: 4:30pm