

**MONASH UNIVERSITY
CLAYTON RESIDENTIAL
RESIDENTS' COMMITTEE**

Minutes of Meeting no 6/2008 of the Residents' Committee held on Monday 15 September 2008 at 6.00pm in the **FUNCTION Room**.

16 September 2008

Jessica Fitzgerald
Vice President, ext 57631

Present:

2008 President	..	Samuel Wellman
Deakin Hall	..	John McCarten
	..	Melissa Accardi
Farrer Hall	..	Hannah Ervin
Howitt Hall	..	Josh Shuttleworth
	..	Alexandra Skimbirauskas
Richardson Hall	..	Jessica Fitzgerald
Roberts Hall	..	Samuel Gibb (Sports Coordinator)
	..	Timothy Dyson
Normanby House	..	Kim Whitworth
College Heads' Representative	..	Trevor Kennedy
Residential Programs Coordinator/ Environment Coordinator	..	Charmaine Loke
Administration Manager	..	Cassianne Martin

Absent:

Farrer Hall	..	Christopher Hyett
Richardson Hall	..	David Ranger
South East Flats	..	Kashish Katoch
Sports Coordinator	..	Craig Dillon-Gibbons

1 APOLOGIES

Normanby House	..	Stephen Green
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2 ADOPTION OF AGENDA

The agenda was adopted

3 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF MEETING NO 5/2008

Minutes of meeting no 5/2008 held on 19 August 2008 was confirmed and signed as an accurate record.

4 MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES OF MEETING NO 5/2008

4.1 Residents' Ball report (Transportation)

Report received from Mr Gibb for filing purposes.

4.2 Residents' Committee photo board

The committee decided that it was too late in the year and this will need to be on the agenda for next year's committee to take up at the first meeting 1/2009.

Action: Residents' Committee 2009

4.3 Monash Sports Gym membership

Mrs Martin announced that there will be a \$5.50 (including GST) weekly reduction from the basic the Monash Sports Gym membership for residents in 2009. An invoice similar to the rent will be issued to those who take the offer as long as residents remain in MRS accommodation. MRS will provide a form upon arrival and residents would need to complete and return it to Monash Sports. Monash Sports will be updated with a list from MRS if a resident has departed. With GST this will be \$11 per fortnight, compared to \$24 a fortnight for everyone else which is a fantastic result for residents.

4.4 Battle of the Bands

It was reported that the Battle of the Bands was a huge success. Residents attended in droves and the food was handled well by the Halls café. It was such a hit that Director of MRS, Vladimir Prpich suggested it be held as an annual event. Formal thank you letters are to go out to Matt Lyons and Timothy Dyson and his band for helping with the equipment. Also to the College Heads for donating to the raffle. If the event is to be held in the coming years it was suggested that separate categories for judging be held, so that acoustic bands are not pitted against

heavier groups. The raffle worked very well as it encouraged residents to stay once they had arrived, as well as aiding the Oaktree foundation in getting donations. A report similar to the Residents' Ball reports is to be compiled by Mr Gibb to assist the 2009 committee.

Action: Samuel Gibb

4.5 ATM at the Halls of Residence

Mrs Martin reported that there were several conditions to be met if an automatic teller machine were to be installed at the Halls of Residence. A minimum of 280 transactions must occur per month, otherwise MRS would be charged per transaction fallen short from the 280. This would be pretty much impossible over the summer months as the occupancy at Halls is very low during those times. Bank fees will also be high for anyone withdrawing from the machine. If the machine were to be installed, there is a 5 year minimum operating period, with no trial stage. So therefore it is unfortunately not an economically viable option. E-card payments online may become available in the future for fees.

5 SPORTS REPORT

The Sports Coordinators reported that Netball had finished with the eventual winners Mannix defeating Deakin in the final. The Aussie rules footy finals have been moved back a week to next Sunday, the grand final being played between Mannix and Roberts. There will be a barbeque after the match.

The Sports awards will be on Wednesday 8 October from 7.30pm onwards. Sports representatives have been asked to supply names of their team members to the Sports Coordinators for the trophies and certificates.

The committee was asked whether the amount of sports played during the year was too much, and the general consensus was that residents enjoy the opportunity to socialise with other halls. It was also decided that Mannix should remain part of the Halls sport competition as they add more to the competition. It was thought that a Halls vs Mannix Twenty20 cricket match could be a potentially popular event and should be organised by next year's sports representatives.

Action: Sports Coordinators and Representatives 2009

6 ENVIRONMENT REPORT

Ms Loke announced that the Halls lake clean up will be on this weekend. The vegetable gardens were reported a success this year, however Farrer and Deakin often failed to represent. A replacement for the energy saving light globes in Howitt is currently being sought. New water tanks are on order and will be installed shortly.

7 FOOD SERVICE

No items to report.

8 ITEMS FOR OHSE ZONE 19 MEETING

The traffic island on Normanby road will be installed on the weekend of the 21 or 28 September.

A request has been put through for any new security guards to have their profiles displayed around the halls or residence to ensure that all residents are aware of who they are.

Action: Clayton Managers

9 ANY OTHER BUSINESS

9.1 Leadership Positions

Applications are now open for Mentor, Resident Advisor, Environmental and Sports Coordinator positions which all close in October.

9.2 Re-Admission in 2009

Applications open on October 1 and close on October 31.

9.3 Sports Schedule and Membership review

Refer to Sports Report.

9.4 Amendments to Residents' Committee Procedures

Position of Environmental Coordinator will be filled by 2 people instead of 1 from next year.

Action: Cassianne Martin and Charmaine Loke

9.5 2009 Residents' Ball update

After 2008, there is roughly \$750 left in the Residents' Committee Account for next year's ball. The date is pending the availability of a venue. There is no report yet from the chairperson.

10 DATE OF NEXT FORMAL MEETING

Monday 16 March 2009 – 6.00pm in the Function Room

CONFIRMED AS AN ACCURATE RECORD:

President **Date**

Membership:

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	..	Josh Shuttleworth
Richardson Hall	..	Jessica Fitzgerald (Vice president, 2008 Ball chairperson)
	..	David Ranger
Roberts Hall	..	Timothy Dyson
	..	Samuel Gibb (Sports Coordinator)
Normanby House	..	Stephen Green (Secretary/Treasurer)
	..	Kim Whitworth
South East Flats	..	Kashish Katoch (Publications officer)
Sports Coordinator	..	Craig Dillon-Gibbons
College Heads' Representative	..	Trevor Kennedy
Residential Programs Coordinator/ Environment Coordinator	..	Charmaine Loke
Administration Manager	..	Cassianne Martin
For information		
	Operations Manager	Jason Whitaker
	Food Service Supervisor	Ridwan Tandijono
	Administration Officer	Georgina James