

**MINUTES FROM THE BALRANALD SHIRE COUNCIL CULTURAL COMMITTEE MEETING HELD AT THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS OF BALRANALD ON MONDAY NOVEMBER 25, 2013 COMMENCING AT 1.05PM**

**PRESENT:** Doreen Greenham (Chair), Cr Campbell, Cr Cooke, Jan Lawler, Bella Mannix, Margaret Butler, Robyn Davis and the Director Economic and Development Robyn Ryan

**APOLOGIES:** Mayor O'Halloran and Sue Balshaw

**ELECTION OF CHAIR:** Doreen Greenham nominated by Margaret Butler, seconded by Jan Lawler. No further nominations received. Doreen Greenham declared Chair.

**BUSINESS ARISING:**

**Ann Frank Exhibition –**

Date available 1 December 2014 to end January 2015

Cost: \$2,500 includes transport, insurance and educational material

Duration: 6 weeks

Venue: The Gallery

**RECOMMENDATION:**

That Council accept the invitation to host the Ann Frank Exhibition from 1 December 2014 to the end January 2015.

Moved Jan Lawler  
Seconded Cr Elaine Campbell

Marketing ideas for the exhibition:

- Link with schools
- Packaging
- Marketing to groups

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**Murray River International Music Festival**

An invitation has been extended by Arts Mildura to host an event during the Murray River International Music Festival which will run from 20<sup>th</sup> – 31<sup>st</sup> January 2014. The proposed date for the Balranald performance is Tuesday January 28, 2014 at the Theatre Royal.

Sergio de Pieri, OAM will embark on his annual pilgrimage to the region bringing with him a selection of virtuosi from Italy and other parts of the world.

The program will provide world-class entertainment by some of the finest internationally renowned virtuosic classical musicians including Italian trio Andrea Dainese (flute), Elisabetta Ghebbioni (harp) and Giancarlo di Vacri (viola).

Performers fee:\$1,500  
Plus accommodation and catering  
Ticket price: \$35 pp

**RECOMMENDATION:**

That Council accept the invitation to host the Murray River International Music Festival performance on Tuesday January 28, 2014 at the Theatre Royal.

Moved Bella Mannix  
Seconded Cr Elaine Campbell

**Adam Harvey Performance**

The DECD advised that Council has secured country music singer Adam Harvey to perform at the Theatre Royal on Friday March 21, 2014 at a cost of \$3,000.

This performance will coincide with the Solos' Network Rally in Balranald.

**Piano**

Margaret Butler advised the committee that she is continuing her pursuit to secure funding to purchase a baby grand piano for the Theatre Royal.

**Community Carols**

Robyn Davis was invited to the meeting by the Chair to discuss the hosting of Balranald Combined Churches Community Carols.

Following discussions the committee resolved to jointly host the Community Carols with the Combined Churches.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

That the Balranald Shire Cultural Committee and the Combined Churches jointly host the Balranald Community Carols to be held on Sunday December 22, 2013 at the Theatre Royal commencing at 6pm.

Moved Cr Elaine Campbell  
Seconded Jan Lawler

**Round Table**

Jan Lawler

Does Balranald Shire Council still provide a scholarship to a local student to pursue further studies? DECD to investigate.

Purchase of public art – Is Council still allocating the \$2,000 each year for the purchase of public art to go into the permanent collection.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

That Council allocate \$2,000 in the 2014/2015 budget and future budgets for the purchase of public art for the community.

Moved Jan Lawler  
Seconded Bella Mannix

Cr Cooke

Advised the committee of a local pop artist in Euston – Frank Zappia is a teacher at the Euston Public School.

Requested information in relation to when the last Art Prize was hosted by The Gallery. Jan Lawler advised that one was held 3 years ago, which was a 10 day Art Show held at the Theatre Royal. Prize money required to host such an event is approximately \$8,000.

DECD

The DECD sought support from the community to submit an application to host the Kapooka Army Band. The committee endorsed this request.

**NEXT MEETING:** 13 January 2014 at the Council Chambers commencing at 1pm.

**MEETING CLOSED:** There being no further business the discussions was declared closed at 2.10pm.