

WorkLife Alliance

Minutes of General Meeting

Wednesday, 21 March 2007



Meeting was held at the Queensland Council of Unions

Meeting started at 6:00pm

Chairperson: ROSS GWYTHER

Present:

Laura Velm, Angela Ballard, Andrew Martin, Paul Groening, Ross Gwyther, Jim Sharp, Adrian Pollock

Apologies:

Maggie May, Sharon O'Neill, Ron Baker

Minutes of Last Meeting:

The Minutes were taken as read and were accepted.

Correspondence: Nil

An application for a stall at Labour Day was received. This application has been submitted. renewal notice has been received for the post box (which is currently paid in full by Just Peace). It was agreed that we would approach Just Peace with a proposal to pay half each.

Action: **Adrian Pollock** is to sort this out with Just Peace.

Reports:

Financial – a motion was passed agreeing to pay half the cost (\$35.00) of the renewal fee for the post box at Ashgrove.

Action: **Laura Velm** is to issue a cheque to Adrian for the fee paid.

Community Actions – Crossroads Meeting. Angela reported that there will be a public meeting in August in the City Hall as a lead-up to the next federal election. The only confirmed speaker to date is Ian Lowe.

Community Actions – International Women's Day. WorkLife had a small stall at the IWD rally, which was reasonably successful. It was also reported that the Marginal Seats Campaign seems to be getting a good response in the community.

General Business:

Activities for 2007 – the following items were agreed regarding WorkLife events for 2007:

1. Labour Day – a stall has been applied for [and has been confirmed]. If anyone is able to help at the stall on the day, please contact Laura (Ph. 3355 6474).
2. Community stalls – the Teachers Union wants to have a Your Rights at Work stall in the Dickson electorate. If anyone is willing to help, please contact Maggie.
Action: - **Angela Ballard** is to investigate the possibility of leafleting at Central Station
3. Frank Brennan talk – Frank Brennan has confirmed he is willing to talk to a WorkLife event.
Action: - **Angela Ballard** is to see if Brisbane Better Books is prepared to organize a lunchtime event on 2 May at the Irish Club.
4. WorkLife Workshop – no action has been taken yet to arrange this.
5. Volunteering Queensland Workshop – this [was] held on Friday, 30 March 2007
Action: - **Laura Velm** is to attend the workshop on behalf of WorkLife.
6. Relationship Australia report – this is a report addressing the issue of work-life balance.
Action: - **Angela Ballard** is to send the web link for the report to Ross to publish on our web site
Action: - **Angela Ballard** is to do a leaflet on work-life balance.

There was also discussion about having another social/fund-raising night.

Action: **Ross Gwyther** is to send email to the Yahoo Group suggesting a movie night and asking for suggestions for which movie to be shown.

Next Meeting:

The next meeting of the full group will be:

Date: Wednesday, 18 April 2007

Time 6.00pm start

Place QCU Building

Meeting closed at 7.30pm

Minute Taker: Adrian Pollock