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**Minutes of CPACS Council Meeting – Tuesday, 3 August 2010, 6pm**

**PREAMBLE AND WELCOME**

**1. APOLOGIES, ATTENDANCE, DOCUMENTS**

Present: Ken Macnab (Chair), Erik Paul, Peggy Craddock, Laurie Craddock, Raja Jayaraman, Lindsay Mell, Chris Hamer, Frank Hutchinson, Andrew Greig, Wendy Lambourne, Roger Wescombe, Neven Bondokji

Apologies: Yvonne Walsh, George Varughese, Lynda-ann Blanchard, Jake Lynch, Stuart Rees, Coral Hauenstein, Peter Herborn

**2. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING**

Previous minutes were accepted.

**3. REPORTS TO COUNCIL**

**3.1 PRESIDENT'S REPORT — Ken Macnab**

- (a) Ken reported that Dr. Stella Cornelius has been awarded that International Peace Award by the United Nations Association Australia; an email has been circulated to this effect to all CPACS friends and members.  
The council suggested writing to Dr. Stella congratulating her on CPACS' behalf.
- (b) Ken reported that a Nuclear Disarmament petition to the PM was brought to CPACS' attention. The petition is by supporting organisations, not individuals.  
Erik moved that CPACS support the petition, Ken seconded, passed unanimously.
- (c) Ken reported that as Leah Chan and Lyn Dicken has resigned from the Admin Assistants position; Juliet Bennet and Neven Bondokji have replaced them. The council thanked Lyn and Leah for their services.

**3.2 DIRECTOR OF CPACS — Ken Macnab for Jake Lynch**

- (a) Ken reported that IPRA conference went off very well, thanks to the hard work of volunteers and conference assistants. Next IPRA conference is to be held in Japan (to be confirmed) in 2012. Council members noted that the conference provided a good chance for networking; and expressed satisfaction with Fringe Festival activities and the range of publications launched or highlighted during the conference.  
Council thanked Andrew Greig for donating his book *Taming War* that was included in conference Bags.
- (b) Ken reported that Jake was elected as Secretary-General of IPRA
- (c) Wendy reported that some members and staff of CPACS attended the memorial for John Burton Held in Canberra in July. Wendy suggested discussing in the next council meeting an event that CPACS can organize to commemorate and recognize Burton's work that was not sufficiently recognized in Australia.
- (d) Wendy also reported on the event to commemorate Elise Boulding that took place during IPRA

**3.3 CPACS FINANCES — Ken Macnab**

Nothing to report.

### **3.4 SYDNEY PEACE FOUNDATION — Ken Macnab on behalf of Stuart Rees**

- (a) Ken reported that the events for Sydney Peace Prize will follow the original timetable of having the lecture before the dinner: lecture on Wednesday 3 and dinner on Thursday 4 November. An event organiser will be appointed; other arrangements will be finalized by end of August.
- (b) As a major fundraising event, Ken reported that the Sydney Peace Foundation decided to return to original ticket price of \$ 350 each, or \$3500 for one table of ten places for the dinner. A concession price will be available for CPACS council and members.
- (c) Ken reported that nominations are now open for the 2011 Sydney Peace Prize.

### **3.5 TEACHING — Wendy Lambourne for Jake Lynch**

- a) Wendy reported that four winter school courses were held; two in London, two in Sydney. Feedback was positive from students. The course run here on UN had 42 students.
- b) Wendy reported that many new students come from countries experiencing conflicts like Iran, Afghanistan, India and Russia.
- c) Wendy reported on changes in enrolment due to cross-listing: students' cross-listing CPACS units from other departments lead to high enrolment in Core unit; but a high number of CPACS students are also cross listing units from other departments which is affecting the enrolment for CPACS elective units.
- d) Welcome lunch will be held on August 4, 2010

### **3.6 RESEARCH — Wendy Lambourne for Jake Lynch**

- (a) There is the possibility to publish edited collections papers of related presented at the IPRA conference, either through Sydney University Press or others.

### **3.7 MEMBERSHIP**

- (b) Neven reported that CPACS currently has 93 members; last month 4 new members joined including one life membership.
- (c) Joanna Blachowska has finished her voluntary services as membership secretary and CPACS needs a new volunteer
- (d) The council thanked Joanna for her services.

### **3.8 LIBRARIAN –Peggy Craddock**

- (a) Peggy reported in the last two weeks the library has received many students, mainly from CPACS.
- (b) Peggy reported that two resource books were donated to the library on Globalization and Environmental challenges.

### **3.9 PUBLICATIONS**

- (a) Neven reported that the West Papua project has printed its report *Get up, Stand up: West Papua stands up for its rights*, a rebuttal of International Crisis Group report No. 188. The report was discussed within the Fringe Festival activities of IPRA conference during the book launch of *One People One Soul* by Otto Ondawame.  
The report is available for sale at CPACS for \$10.

### **3.10 SEMINARS/TALKS**

- a) Ken reported that CPACS has been approached to host an event with the Sri Lankan High Commissioner on current human rights issues in late August. The Council favoured hosting a joint platform of the High Commissioner and someone like John Dowd to provide diverse views in the event.  
After lengthy discussion, Erik moved to postpone this event till next year as it requires resources and time to organize such an event not available within the proposed time frame; Ken seconded, agreed unanimously.
- b) Ken reported that CPACS received a request from Armen Gakavian at Macquire University to host an event with the Turkish-Armenian human rights lawyer and author, Fethiye Çetin, who is attending the Writers' Festival in Melbourne.  
Ken moved to host a Lunch seminar on Sept 9, from 12-2 in CPACS, Erik seconded, passed unanimously.

- c) The Council discussed the possibilities of CPACS hosting international or national conferences on annual basis. The Council suggested that at next meeting an agenda item be added to discuss what kind of conferences CPACS should be involved in. The council noted that a conference from the outset should plan to convert the proceedings into a publication and organise accordingly.
- d) The Council requested that Jake clarify in next meeting the relationship between IPRA and CPACS, and the changes if any in the IPRA's commission structure based on the Commission Conveners meeting held during IPRA conference.

### **3.11 MEMBERS' MATTERS**

### **4. OTHER BUSINESS**

### **5. AGENDA ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING**

- (a) Organizing an event to commemorate Burton's work.
- (b) Nature of future conferences that CPACS should be involved in.
- (c) Jake requested to clarify the relation between IPRA and CPACS.

**The meeting finished at 7.15 pm.**

Minutes taken by Neven Bondokji