

**Executive Meeting No. 2 of 2007/2008
1 August 2007 at Crowne Plaza Alice Springs
Minutes**

Present:	Chairperson	Apologies due to illness
	Amata	Leonard Burton
	Anilayla	Kawaki Thompson
	Indulkana	Max Kenny
	Kaltjiti	Murray George
	Mimili	Tony Campbell
	Murputja	Anton Baker
	Pukatja	Gary Lewis
	Kalka/Pipalyatjara	Sean Williamson
	Watarru	Charlie Anytjipalya
	General Manager	Ken Newman
	Director	Rex Tjami
	Admin Officer	Carrie McKell

1. Welcome and Summary of meeting with AW NRM Board

Leonard Burton welcomed everyone and said we would have Paul Reardon address the Executive Board about the meeting yesterday with the AW NRM Board. Paul explained that one of the decisions yesterday talked about developing a MOU with the AW NRM Board. Does the Board want to select some members or use the LM sub-committee to help develop the MOU? What will happen tomorrow is relation to how the two agencies will work together.

Following discussion, Paul Reardon will continue to talk with Charles and Lorraine of the AW NRM and advise APY.

New Business

2. Families and Communities SA – Jacqui Lawson

Jacqui Lawson, Brenda Stubbs, Jane Lester spoke to their papers that were distributed to all members. Jacqui advised there are to be more jobs for Anangu on the communities so there will be Anangu Public servants.

Rex Tjami raised the matter of Anangu public servants not being answerable to communities or Traditional Owners and that this may be a problem in the future. Communities should be supported by the Government and not controlled by the Government.

Jacqui said the community workers were employed within the community but communities asked for a public servant (Anangu) to work with them to help set up the programs DFC hopes to have these positions Anangu within 18 months.

Kawaki Thompson, who works with DASSA said it is hard working for the Government because the Government makes all the decisions and as a staff members, he is not listened.

Jacqui said outcomes for her department are very important and they will strive to work with communities but the issue of public servants on the Lands is much bigger than their own Department.

Jacqui and the others talked about the bush medicine project at Amata. \$4000 of their products were sold at the Alice Springs Show, CAAMA and a Desert shop. This is a good business development project for the women at Amata.

The Executive Board were very supportive of the bush mob and bush medicine project.

Brenda Stubbs said the project could be expanded to other communities as well.

3. TAFE – Marty Cielens

Marty talked about the next stage of governance training for Executive Board Members. Following discussion, it was agreed to have a two day Executive Board meeting with at least one half day dedicated to governance training.

4. Waste Management on the APY Lands– Anne Prince

Anne Prince and Tony Davies gave a presentation on a Waste Management Plan for the APY Lands. A Scoping Report of their visit to the Lands was provided to all members. They are now seeking funds to write the plan. Any economic benefit, employment, recycling, etc. is down the track.

5. Research Proposals and Protocols – Jan Ferguson

Rodney Edwards introduced Jan Ferguson and Mark Ashby of the Desert Knowledge Centre Research Centre (DKCRC) and gave some background on why there is a need to develop some good processes and procedures for requests to do research on the APY Lands.

Jan said the DKCRC is a group of independent researchers bringing western science and traditional Aboriginal owners together. They have worked out research protocols with the C.L.C. Researchers want to work together so people understand what is being researched, what is intellectual property etc, The Protocols take time to develop and ensure that people understand. DKCRC are offering a staff member to help APY develop the processes.

Current research includes an evaluation of PY Ku, PHD Student as bush tomatoes, etc, and sustainable bush tucker, services of the Watarru project and Anangu Rangers that may be used elsewhere.

The General Manager summarised some of the projects on the APY Lands and explained that APY is trying to set up rules for people doing research or wanting to do things on the Lands. It is to make sure people do the right thing on country. Mark added that it is about who are you wanting to talk to? What are you going to do with the info? Who owns that information?

APY will develop the rules so everyone knows the story and the process before hand. Anangu controls the rules and Anangu have the right to say no. If researchers go through DKCRC, they are trained in good manners on working with Aboriginal Communities and people.

The Executive Board agreed to invite back representatives from the DKCRC to discuss the current research matters occurring on the APY Lands at the October 2007 meeting.

6. NPY Women’s Council – Vicki Gillick and M Burton

Vicki asked for an update on Mintabie and said there are reports that Mintabie still sells premium fuel.

The SAG provided only one years funding for Aged Care (HACC) funding and NPY WC are not happy as it used to be for 3 years. However, the tri-state funding is secured until 2010.

NPY WC and General Property Trust won an award for Excellence for their work in getting Opal fuel rolled out.

NPY WC met with Mal Brough to discuss what is happening in the NT. They are also going to meet with Sue Gordon who is leading that Federal Task Force in the NT.

NPY WC will provide some copies of the new book on Child Nutrition to APY.

Leonard invited the NPY WC to the General Meeting on 15/16 August 2007.

7. Housing R & M Program

The General Manager read through the report provided to all members. The recommended plan was supported by all members.

8. Anthropology Report – Dr Tony Doulman

a. SA Water

a.1 Desktop Clearances

APY anthropologists have provided cultural heritage clearances for the following proposed work:

The upgrade of the Indulkana Effluent Station.

a.2 Testing of Water Bores at Young's Well

On the 19th July a trip with Traditional Owners was organized to visit Young's Well. SA Water intends to test the bores at Young's Well for water quality. Traditional Owners agreed that the area was clear of culturally significant sites and that SA Water could proceed with testing of the bores.

Resolution:

The APY Executive Board approves the proposed testing of the bores at Young's Well.

Moved: Tony Campbell
Second: Charlie Anytjipalya
Carried: All

b. AARD

The APY Anthropologist has received a request from AARD to change the position of the power poles adjacent to Watinuma in order to avoid the cattle yards. Monitoring of the power line at the Watinuma section will occur in August when the pole positions have been pegged.

c. Metals Exploration EL3555

On the 24th of July a field trip to EL 3555 Area 5 was undertaken with Traditional Owners. Also present were the APY Anthropologists and Mining Tenement Officer. After visiting the area Traditional Owners present agreed that all of Area 5 was clear of culturally significant sites and that Metals Exploration be allowed to begin their work program.

Resolution

The APY Executive Board approves the work program for EL 3555.

Moved: Sean Williamson
Second: Murray George
Carried: All

d. PepinNini ELA 117/96

At the request of the APY Executive, a fieldtrip was organised on the 27th of July to map a Tjukurpa track to determine whether the track falls within or outside the ELA area. At the last minute this trip was cancelled by Mr Lewis. After the trip was cancelled the APY Anthropologist and Mining Tenement Officer spoke with Andy Tjilari, Rupert Peters and Colin Tjapiya (three of the Traditional Owners who had been nominated to attend the fieldtrip) and they all agreed that the Tjukurpa was outside of the area ELA 117/96. In addition the APY Anthropologist reviewed all relevant anthropological reports that included Work Area Clearances for ELA 117/96 undertaken in 2006. Therefore the APY Anthropologist recommends that PepinNini be allowed to begin exploration work in ELA 117/96.

This matter was deferred until the next meeting and another proposed visit is to be arranged for Friday 10 August 2007.

e. PIRSA Mapping at Michael Hill

On the 29th May and 30th May a trip was organised with Traditional Owners and the APY Anthropologist to visit the Michael Hills for a PIRSA Mapping Project in Area 1 (southeast of Pipalyatjara). Over the two days we travelled through the area and Traditional Owners identified areas that will be excluded from the mapping project. The northern area excluded from the Michael Hills Mapping work is culturally significant.

All Traditional Owners present agreed that that PIRSA could undertake the mapping project in the southern area of the Mapping Project for Area 1. On the 20th of July the APY Anthropologist received a request from PIRSA to extend the Michael Hills Mapping project in Area 1 to the south. The southern boundary of this extension lies to the north of Kunatjara Outstation. A meeting with Traditional Owners on the 24th of July approved this southern extension to the Michael Hills Mapping Project. Mr Ginger Mick will accompany the mapping team from PIRSA.

Resolution

The APY Executive Board approves the southern extension of mapping works in Area 1 of the Michael Hills area, subject to the conditions outlined in the Work Area Clearance certificate.

Moved: Murray George
Second: Anton Baker
Carried: All

f. Mineral Exploration

f.1 Mithril ELA 380/97; ELA 52/97; and ELA 54/97

On the 24th of July a meeting was held in Pipalyatjara with Traditional Owners to discuss granting ELs for Mithril. At this meeting Traditional Owners decided to grant ELA 52/97. Traditional Owners also agreed that they could speak for the western section of ELA 54/97. The Traditional Owners present requested that a further meeting with Traditional Owners for the eastern section of ELA 54/97 be held. At this meeting it was decided that a further meeting be held at a later date to discuss ELA 380/97.

Resolution

The APY Executive Board approves the granting of ELA 52/97 subject to Work Area Clearances.

Moved: Sean Williamson
Second: Gary Lewis
Carried: All

f.2 Mithril ELA 49/97

On the 26th July a meeting with senior Traditional Owners was held at Kaltjiti. At this meeting no decision was made by Traditional Owners on whether to grant the EL to Mithril. At the conclusion of the meeting Traditional Owners decided that a further meeting be held at Umuwa in the near future.

9. Community Infrastructure Report

This report was provided by the SA Government following last month's meeting. The report, provided to all members, provides an update on State infrastructure matters occurring on the APY Lands. All members were pleased to receive such a report and this will become a regular report for the Board.

10. Legal Report

A brief legal report was provided to members advising:

a) Mithril Resources

At its meeting held on 4 June 2007, the Executive Board of Anangu Pitjantjatjara Yankunytjatjara passed a resolution to execute Deeds of Exploration for ELA 12/06, ELA 13/06, ELA 104/07 & ELA 105/07 between Anangu Pitjantjatjara Yankunytjatjara and Mithril Resources Limited.

The Deeds of Exploration were executed in July 2007.

b) Substance Misuse Facility Residential Lease

At its meeting held on 7 March 2007, the Executive Board of Anangu Pitjantjatjara Yankunytjatjara passed a resolution to grant the Minister for Health & Substance Misuse a residential lease for staff accommodation in Amata for twenty-five years with an option to renew the lease for a further twenty-five years.

That Lease was executed in July 2007.

11. General Meeting

The Executive Board agreed to hold a two (2) day Special General meeting on 15 – 16 August 2007. The GM will distribute an agenda to all communities and will include the Federal Government Housing offer, Mintabie, Grazing Licences, etc.

12. Land Management Matters – Rodney Edwards

Rodney provided an update on the athel pine project at Pukatja. The funding offer was for \$41,000. The whole project of \$82K included "in-kind" support from APY, TAFE, CDEP etc. Rodney read the letter from Envirofund which said the funds could not be given to Pukatja but that Pukatja could be involved in the project.

Mr Lewis was concerned the Pukatja Community was tricked into not getting the funds directly. However the letter of offer is specific and LM is prepared to discuss the athel pine project with Mr Lewis at Pukatja. A meeting will be arranged.

13. Previous Minutes of Meeting No. 1 of 2007/2008 – 3 - 4 July 2007

The General Manager summarized the previous minutes of 3 & 4 July 2007 that were provided to all members. The Minutes were accepted without alteration.

Moved: Sean Williamson
Second: Tony Campbell
Carried: All

14. Correspondence In/Out

In 11/7/07 Minister Weatherill Re: Review of the Amendments to the APY Land Rights Act
20/7/07 Commission of Inquiry into Children on the APY Lands
Press Release of Minister Jay Weatherill Re: Housing on APY Lands
Press Release of Minister Mal Brough Re: Housing on APY Lands

Out 7/7/07 DEH about Direct Funding communities for projects
10/7/07 Letter to AW NRM Board
11/7/07 Letter inviting Minister Mal Brough to meet with Executive Board

Other Business

15. Development Applications - Meg Bartholomew

- a) **Watarru Child Care Centre** – John Stirk and Kathy Priest (FaCSIA) also attended to discuss the lease. The original lease made APY Liabe for \$2.5M if there were problems. The Lawyers have been discussing the matter and it seems the matter can now be resolved.

Resolution

That APY Executive Board grant a 5 year lease to the Watarru Community for the purpose of operating a Child Care Centre with the option of renewing for a further four, five year term.

Moved: Charlie Anytjipalya
Second: Murray George
Carried: All

b) **Community Structure Plans** – Meg Bartholomew

Meg reported back to Executive Board on the six C.S.P. where more information was required. She wrote to Planning SA and also held a meeting with them in Adelaide. If they are not signed off, the plans will sit in a cupboard in Adelaide. If they are signed off, APY will own the plans and get electronic plans that can be changed/ updated.

Meg and Mike Harvey detailed some of the serious deficiencies of the reports. There was extensive discussion about how these plans should be and could be useful but they must be corrected first before signing them off.

Resolution

That APY Executive Board write to Planning SA advising the Community Structure Plans will not be signed off until the detailed changes are made to those plans and that the working documents / data is made available to APY and that electronic plans be made available to Anangu Pitjantjatjara Yankunytjatjara

Moved: Max Kenny
Second: Sean Williamson
Carried: All

c) Watarru Swimming Pool

Meg needs to go back to meet with Watarru Council about moving the pool away from the drainage channel and in sight of the school, etc. **Provided the community is in agreement, the Executive Board approved the development application.**

16. Public Transportation on the APY Lands

The GM provided members with an update advising the tender has gone out and will be assessed at the end of August 2007. Rex Tjami will be part of the Assessment panel to consider the tenders.

17. Late Correspondence

Letter from B

Action: Defer to next meeting, find out more information. No permits until then

18. Date of Next Executive Board Meeting

The next meeting will be for two (2) days on Tuesday 4 September and Wednesday 5 September 2007. The first day will include the next part of governance training for all Executive Board members..

The meeting closed at 5:15 pm with a prayer by Kawaki Thompson.

Minutes by Ken Newman

**Executive Meeting No. 2 of 2007/2008
31 July and 1 August 2007 – Alice Springs
Agenda**

Day One – 31 July 2007

There will be a joint meeting between the APY Executive Board and the AW NRM Board. The purpose is to develop a Memorandum of Understanding into how our two Boards will operate with one another and protocols for contractors/employees visiting the APY Lands.

Day Two – 1 August 2007

Visitors

Anne Prince – Anne Prince Consultants and Tony Davies
Jan Ferguson – Desert Knowledge Research Centre
Jacqui Lawson – Families SA

1. Welcome

New Business

2. **Waste Management on the APY Lands** – Anne Prince
3. Research Proposals and Protocols – Jan Ferguson
4. **Families & Communities SA** – Jacqui Lawson
5. **Housing R & M Program**

Other Business

6. APY Development Applications and **Community Structure Plans** – Meg Bartholomew
7. Land Management Matters – Rodney Edwards and Frank Young
Athel Pine at Pukatja
8. **Anthropology Report**
9. **Community Infrastructure Monthly Report**
10. **Legal Report**
11. Date for General Meeting

Business Arising from the Minutes

12. **Previous Minutes of Meeting No. 1 of 2007/2008 – 3-4 July 2007**
13. Correspondence In/Out
- 11/7/07 **Minister Weatherill Re: Review of the Amendments to the APY Land Rights Act**
20/7/07 **Commission of Inquiry into Children on the APY Lands**
Press Release by Jay Weatherill and response from Mal Brough Re: Housing
Letter from Premier Mike Rann
Public Transportation on the APY Lands – Tender update
14. Date of Next Executive Board Meeting
The next meeting is planned for Wednesday 5 September 2007.

NB – Items highlighted in Blue have briefings supplied for Executive Board