



## Minutes – NSW AFI Conference Call

Thursday, 7 May, 2020

Time	From: 18:01 hours To: 18:48 hours
Attendees	Michael Forbes, Alex Visotin, Taylor Pallaton, Bob McKay, Mark Pellegrino, Sonia Scott, Steve Apps
Apologies	Vicky Thavapalan, Barry Sutherland

### 1. Acceptance of Previous Minutes

A motion was put to accept the Minutes of the Committee Meeting of 7 May, 2020

Mark

Moved: Mark Pellegrino

Second: Michael Forbes

Vote: Carried

### 2. Correspondence In

Correspondence from:

Pay Pal regarding a Policy Update (copy attached)

Ryde Eastwood Leagues' Club who have confirmed the Club has opened for room bookings subject to COVID-19 restrictions. These include:

No serving of finger food or buffets.

Tea and coffee are available, but only if served by Club staff to individual guests.

Moved: Michael Forbes

Second: Taylor Pallaton

Vote: Carried

Taylor added that this means we would need a larger room for the AGM with the social distancing. Taylor added that due to personal health concerns, she would be unable to attend the AGM. Michael Forbes asked if we should proceed with the AGM. Bob McKay reported that the NSWAFI Constitution allowed for the AGM to be postponed for at least six (6) months. Taylor reported that Fair Trading had advised her that due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the AGM could be postponed for 12 months. Bob McKay asked if the NSWAFI could have that in writing. Taylor said she could get it.

Alex Visotin suggested we hold the AGM later in the year. Michael Forbes agreed.

Bob McKay suggested that we review the holding of the AGM at the September Committee Meeting. Michael Forbes said that regardless, we did not have anyone to present at the AGM Educations Night and said that he thought that to arrange an AGM/Education Night would be good and this should be reviewed by the Committee at the September Meeting as to when the AGM would be held.

**Moved:** Michael Forbes re AGM  
**Second:** Bob McKay  
**Vote:** Carried

### **3. Correspondence Out**

Correspondence to RFS re membership renewals

**Moved:** Michael Forbes  
**Second:** Bob McKay  
**Vote:** CARRIED

### **4. President's Report**

Michael Forbes reported that the preferred option for conducting the AAFI Conference, scheduled for October, 2020 is to move the AAFI 2020 to October, 2021 and then hold the next AAFI Conference every two years.

Michael also sent emails to members who were overdue. Some emails bounced back. Two came back and said they no longer wanted membership. Mark suggested that if RFS emails are bouncing back, the member may have retired. Michael said that if memberships are not renewed in the next month the membership would be cancelled, and member details moved to the past member's file.

Michael said that the recent request as to whether Fire & Arson Investigator magazine remains in hard print to go to PDF has resulted in about 50% of those asked voted to PDF, so from the Australian perspective it is evenly split. Michael also said that the South Africans prefer PDF, so Fire & Arson Investigator magazine looks like it will go to PDF instead of hard copy.

Michael also mentioned that Richard Woods presentation to the ANZFSS has been postponed and therefore the combined ANZFSS NSWAFI presentation will not be proceeding for at least a while.

**Moved:** Bob McKay  
**Second:** Mark Pellegrino  
**Vote:** CARRIED

## **5. Treasurer's Report**

\$39,051.57 cash on hand as of 30 June, 2020. Copies of reports attached.

Taylor Pallaton wants to buy an external 2 TB hard drive and two 64 GB flash drives for each year records storage.

**Moved:** Taylor Pallaton  
**Second:** Bob McKay  
**Vote:** CARRIED

## **6. Educations Officer's Report**

Sonia said the Metallurgist is happy to proceed with a presentation when we have a date. Michael said it could be October, 2020.

Michael raised a question about the end of year Social event. This will be discussed at the next committee meeting.

**Moved:** Taylor Pallaton  
**Second:** Michael Forbes  
**Vote:** CARRIED

## **7. Webmaster's Report**

Alex said there was not a lot to report and shared his screen with the committee. This image is the zoom recording of the meeting. There where 103 visits to the site.

**Moved:** Mark Pellegrino  
**Second:** Michael Forbes  
**Vote:** CARRIED

## **8. Merchandising Report**

No sales, no report

## **9. Membership Report**

Alex reported no new membership applications.

John Gardener paid his membership direct to the bank. Barry Sutherland does not like PayPal but as he could not pay at the Post Office, he will go back to the bank.

**Moved:** Michael Forbes  
**Second:** Mark Pellegrino  
**Vote:** CARRIED

## **10. Business Arising**

No business arising from previous minutes.

## **11. New Business**

Steve raise a question to Michael Forbes if FRNSW has a policy about speaking to independent fire investigators. Michael suggested that if detailed information were required, it would have to go through the legal department.

**Meeting concluded at 18:47 hours**

**Next Meeting Thursday, 3 September at 18:00 hours**

Bob McKay, Secretary NSWAFI.

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### **Amendments to the PayPal User Agreement (Effective 31 July 2020)**

To review the updated PayPal User Agreement, please click [here](#).

- We are expanding our Seller Protection Policy to include digital goods, and further clarifying the terms and conditions with respect to the coverage of intangible items under our Seller Protection Policy.
- We are clarifying that our Seller Protection Policy does not cover Unauthorised Transactions initiated in an environment not hosted by PayPal.
- For “Significantly Not as Described” claims under our Seller Protection Policy, sellers may not receive the item back, or may be required to accept the item back and pay for the return shipping costs.
- We are adding payments made in respect of gold (in physical form or in exchange-traded form) to the list of ineligible items and transactions under our Seller Protection Policy.
- Items intended for resale, including single item transactions or transactions that include multiple items, are not eligible for reimbursement under our Buyer Protection Policy.
- To be eligible for our Buyer Protection Policy, buyer must attempt to contact the seller to resolve their issue directly prior to filing a claim with PayPal.
- We are also clarifying how in-person QR code transactions will be dealt with under our Buyer Protection Policy and Seller Protection Policy.

### **Amendments to the Combined Financial Services Guide and Product Disclosure Statement (Effective 31 July 2020)**

To review the updated Combined Financial Services Guide and Product Disclosure Statement (CFSGPDS), please click [here](#).

- We are clarifying the fees payable by the sellers in relation to transactions processed through QR codes in person, which will be payable on and from 1 October 2020 (or a later date as determined and offered by us). Prior to this date, transaction fees on QR code payments are temporarily waived to help business impacted by COVID-19. Other fees for using the PayPal services may apply.
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NSW ASSOCIATION OF FIRE INVESTIGATORS  
INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT  
MONTH ENDING JUNE 2020

	YR ENDING 30/05/2020	YR ENDING 30/06/2020
<b>INCOME</b>		
Interest Received	\$ 3.50	\$ 3.39
Membership	\$ 2,520.00	\$ 480.00
Merch	~	~
Education Night/Events	~	~
Other	~	\$ 0.10
<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>	<b>\$ 2,523.50</b>	<b>\$ 483.49</b>

**EXPENSES**

Licences/Compliances	~	~
Paypal Fees	~	\$ 12.22
Bank Fees	~	~
Merch	~	~
Website/Domain Name	~	~
Stationery/Postage	~	~
Education Night/Event	~	~
Room Hire	~	~
Catering	~	~
Speckers	~	~
Refund	\$ 60.00	~
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	<b>\$ 60.00</b>	<b>\$ 12.22</b>
<b>NET INCOME/LOSS</b>	<b>\$ 2,463.51</b>	<b>\$ 471.27</b>

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MONTH ENDING JUNE 2020

	YR ENDING 30/05/2020	YR ENDING 30/06/2020
<b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>		
Firefighters Mutual Bank S1 A/C	\$ 17,975.95	\$ 18,035.95
Firefighters Mutual Bank S10 A/C	\$ 20,604.34	\$ 20,607.74
Paypal Account		\$ 407.88
	\$ 0.01	
<b>NET ASSETS</b>	<b>\$ 38,580.30</b>	<b>\$ 39,051.57</b>

INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT

	YR ENDING 31/05/2020	YR ENDING 30/06/2020
<b>GENERAL ACCOUNT</b>		
Net Profit/Loss Brought Forward	\$ 2,463.50	\$ 471.27
Opening Balance 01/06/2020	\$ 36,116.80	\$ 38,580.30
<b>CLOSING BALANCE</b>		
AS PER STATEMENT 30/06/20	<b>\$ 38,580.30</b>	<b>\$ 39,051.57</b>
<b>CASH ON HAND AS OF 30/06/2020</b>	<b>\$ 38,580.30</b>	<b>\$ 39,051.57</b>