

RETURNED & SERVICES LEAGUE OF AUSTRALIA

SOUTH EASTERN DISTRICT LIMITED

COUNCIL MEETING 4th JUNE 2020

MINUTES

Skype meeting

37/20 CALL TO ORDER 6.00PM

38/20 HOUSEKEEPING: N/A as all attendees were not on location at SED.

39/20 ROLL CALL: Confirmed guests online in attendance

40/20 SILENCE TRIBUTE, VALE & ODE – The Vale for May was read by George Royes, Greenbank.

41/20 WELCOME - Wendy Taylor, District President extended a welcome to the Councillors, SED Board and Visitors in attendance.

42/20 PRESENT

a. Executive: Wendy Taylor, President; Judith Munday OAM, Treasurer; Judy Alterator, Board Secretary; Bob Maher, Vice President; Steve Monteath, Vice President; Kerry Gallagher AM, Vice President.

b. Councillors:

BAYSIDE SOUTH
BEAUDESERT
BEERWAH AND DISTRICT
BULIMBA DISTRICT
CITY NEW FARM
DARRA
DEFENCE SERVICE NURSES
DEFENCE SERVICEWOMEN'S
FOREST LAKE
GLASSHOUSE COUNTRY
GREATER SPRINGFIELD
GREENBANK
HOLLAND PARK/MT GRAVATT
KILCOY
LOGAN VILLAGE
MACLEAY ISLAND
NORMAN PARK NATIONAL SERVICEMEN'S
PALMWOODS & DISTRICT

Matt Dyson
Jon Forbe-Smith
Libby Brown
Brian Daley OAM
Stephen Dacey (SED Board)
Ted Fotek
Ann Martin
Eve Radford
George Churchward
Kevin Beasley
Doug Egan
George Royes
Michael Weibler
John Robinson OAM (SED Board)
Garry Alterator OAM
Ron Boldy
Mark Cash
Peter Murray (SED Board)

REDLANDS
SALISBURY
SPRINGWOOD
SUNNYBANK
TOOWONG
TRAMWAYS
WYNNUM
YERONGA DUTTON PARK

Alan Harcourt
Tony Stevenson OAM
Gary Sargent
Hugh Polson
Mike Muirhead
Grahame Fullerton
Allen Scott
Paul Woods

43/20 VISITORS – Ian Gray / Redlands RSL Sub Branch; Peter Beauchamp / District Advocate

44/20 APOLOGIES – Peter Kinsella / Manly-Lota; David Barnicoat / Nerang; Alex Garlin / Salisbury; Chris Christmas / Russell Island

Moved: Salisbury
“That the Apologies be noted.”

Seconded: Greenbank
CARRIED

45/20 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES – 7th May 2020 Meeting

Moved: Redlands
“That the Minutes of previous meetings date be taken as read.”

Seconded: Bulimba
CARRIED

46/20 BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES

1. Yeronga-Dutton Park - seeking clarification that neither State &/or SED are paid Honorariums. District President confirmed that this was correct, however, some Sub Branches still receive them.
2. Greenbank - in reference to the Notice of Motion put forward by Bulimba (32/20), discussion around vehicle usage and wording changed to address RSL National.
3. SED President – confirmed that the revised wording of the Notice of Motion put forward by Bulimba (32/20) was to be discussed at the next District President’s meeting.

47/20 ACTION ITEMS

1. Anti-Virus Software cover rejected by RSL QLD Tech & Innovation as there is too much differentiation between systems at each Sub Branch as well as privacy issues. SED Board to discuss and consider covering these expenses through submissions made through the Charitable Objectives Fund. Sub Branches encouraged to submit COF applications for SED Board to consider. Bayside South offered to share information with the District regarding their progress with implementing virus software.

48/20 CORRESPONDENCE – SED Inwards and Outwards

1. Charitable Institution registration changes under the Qld Taxation Administration Act 2001 with Office of State Revenue

2. Response for Notice of Motion regarding the Royal Commission into Veteran Suicide
3. Financial risk assessments returned
4. COVID-19 updates
5. Extension granted for the ANZAC Day trust grant
6. More letters from the Care Army to be distributed to Veterans
7. Letter from Paul de Jersey AC QC – Light up the Dawn
8. Thank you - National Volunteer Week
9. SED Board Sub Branch executive contact

Greenbank queried response to the Notice of Motion submitted by Rob Shortridge and District President confirmed that the response has been made and the matter complete.

Moved: J. Alterator
"That the Report be accepted"

Seconded: Tramways
CARRIED

49/20 **TREASURER'S REPORT** – Total debt paid and finalised for Logan & District of \$81,328.27 and the purchase is now complete. Rent consideration has been given to Events on Oxlade & Merthyr Bowls Club. Bowls club reopening from 12 – 7pm daily & Events on Oxlade continue with coffee shop. SED to review rent charges in coming weeks. There is currently \$183,562.90 in the account and will be using some funds for renovations at Logan Hub. Advertising for hiring space will go ahead once Covid-19 restrictions relax.

SED SOLVENCY STATEMENT

"That in the Management Committee's opinion, the Returned and Services League of Australia South Eastern District Ltd is solvent and there are reasonable grounds to believe that it will be able to pay its debts as and when they become due and payable".

Moved: Judith Munday OAM
"That the Treasurer's report be accepted. CARRIED

Seconded: Defence Servicewomen's

50/20 REPORTS

- a. **RSL SED Greenslopes Advocacy & Welfare** - Vacancy for an Admin volunteer 10am-2pm Mon to Fri
- b. **District Advocate** – Still delays on DVA processing
- c. **District Welfare** – Hospital Packs to be distributed to Sub Branches, calls from State to assist Veterans & Veterans wives, BBQ back on at SED Wellbeing Hub at Logan to operate within to COVID-19 guidelines
- d. **Sub Branch Updates** – National Servicemen's, Bayside South, Beaudesert, Greenbank, Kilcoy, Manly-Lota, Redlands, Sunnybank – brief updates from Greenbank, Redlands & Kilcoy re continuing welfare support.
- e. **Membership** – Demographics & SED monthly report

Moved: Logan Village
"That the Reports be accepted"

Seconded: Darra
CARRIED

51/20 **GENERAL BUSINESS**

- a) **District President –**
 - (1) **Live Life Alarms** – Personal alarms with 5 contacts available to non-Gold Card members funded through the Charitable Objective Fund for the first year and then to be reviewed for following years
- b) **Commemoration & celebration at Sunnybank** – One occasion/joint celebration for Korean War Day, Vietnam Veterans Day & the Battle for Australia Day, along with the end of WW2 celebrations and Sunnybank Sub Branch 75th birthday. The venue will be held outdoors at the Sunnybank High School, on 24th October next door to the Sub Branch comfortably catering for 150 people from 10am – 12pm. 30piece band already booked, finance of \$20,000 from QLD govt to be confirmed in July with esteemed guests and dignitaries. Invitations will go out to SED members closer to the date, current costings making it free of charge – Hugh Polson, Sunnybank
- c) **Greenslopes Advocacy** – positive feedback and support for the work currently being done at the Greenslopes office – Tony Stevenson, Salisbury
- d) **Forest Lake changes** – resigning members have transferred to Centenary Suburbs, AGM proposed to be held 21st July at Wacol Museum.
- e) **Honouring the Fallen** – is a program run out of Redlands Sub Branch, there are over 4000 the graves of the fallen that get an Australian flag placed on them on ANZAC Day & Remembrance Day each year. There were concerns this year due to Covid-19 that it wouldn't go ahead, however, schools participated this year with support also from the Council identifying the graves etc – Ian Gray, Redlands
- f) **Grants extended** – DVA grants are still open as they have had a limited amount of applications possibly due to Covid-19 so if your Sub Branch is still wanting to apply contact DVA in Brisbane – John Robinson OAM, Kilcoy.
- g) **Beerwah building** – confirmation of the new building details including a shed that will be handed over to the Sporting club after 12 months. Permission to incorporate approved.

52/20 **NEXT MEETING** – Thursday, 2nd July 2020

53/20 **CLOSURE** – There being no further business the meeting closed at 7.40 PM


Wendy Taylor
President


Judy Alterator
Company Board Secretary