

Guraki

Aboriginal Advisory Committee

Date: 28th February 2022	Time: 7.30am -9.30am	Venue: Teams
Meeting No.1	Committee Minutes	

Attendance (alphabetically)

Committee Members:

Councillor Peta Winney-Baartz

Councillor Charlotte McCabe

Councillor Deahna Richardson

Maree Edwards

Julianne Rose

Luke Russell (Chairperson)

Andrew Smith

CN Staff Attendees:

Jody Clark

David Clarke

Fiona Leatham

Alexander Mills

Apologies:

Ashlee Abbott

Cal Davis

Meeting Item	Action, Responsibility
1. Open Meeting Meeting opened at 7.50	Luke Russell Deputy Chair For noting by all
2. Acknowledgement Luke Russell provided Acknowledgment of Country.	Luke Russell
3. Apologies Apologies as noted above.	For noting by all
4. Introductions	Luke Russell

<p>Introduce new Councillors and welcome back continuing Councillor, Councillor Peta Winney-Baartz Councillor Charlotte McCabe Councillor Deahna Richardson Committee advised CEO Awabakal Local Lands Council, Cal Davis</p>	<p>Deputy Chair</p> <p>Carried over</p>
<p>5. Elect Chairperson for new term Election was held by the attending members. Election process was via open voting pursuant to the TOR. Councillor Peta Winney-Baartz nominated Luke Russell for Chairperson. Motion was seconded by Maree Edwards. Luke Russell elected Chairperson for the new term.</p>	<p>Jody Clark Facilitator</p>
<p>6. Guraki Membership Committee discussed the process pursuant to the TOR around Community member and Stakeholder appointment. Community membership is via Expression of Interest process (2 positions available). Stakeholder membership is via appointment for the CEO (2 positions available). In practice the CEO seeks direction for the Guraki membership. Possible stakeholder organisations were discussed. AECG and the University of Newcastle were considered. AECG was not recommended for appointment. University of Newcastle was recommended for appointment. This recommendation will be forwarded to the CEO for official appointment. Some discussion about the Committee generally. The Committee would like a Planning day but noted that this should wait until all new members are selected and or appointed. The Committee also discussed putting together a "snapshot" of the last term for the new members. This should also wait until all the new members are selected or appointed. The Committee also discussed the difficulties in getting a quorum. It was decided that going forward members will be expected to attend and if not the meeting would go ahead regardless of a quorum.</p>	<p>Luke Russell/David Clarke</p>
<p>7. Discussion around meeting times and Agenda Items Meeting times were discussed. The meeting time from the last term were not appropriate for some of the new members and existing members.</p>	<p>Luke Russell/Jody Clark</p>

<p>Members discussed their availability and proposed the best times going forward.</p> <p>The option of alternate days and times was also discussed.</p> <p>Jody to email members and ask for times and days that suit and develop a schedule that will suit as many members as possible.</p>	
<p>8. Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Library Projects</p> <p>Currently there are multiple Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander projects being developed by CN Libraries.</p> <p>Library staff came to advise of the projects they were proposing.</p> <p>The promotion of the book "Sacred Places in the Hunter Region" was discussed.</p> <p>There was discussion amongst the members around saltwater culture, who contributed to the book, the photos in the book, the comments about the photos in the book. After a long discussion it was concluded that the Aboriginal members of Guraki would meet separately to discuss the cultural content of the book and report back to the Committee at the next meeting.</p> <p>Unfortunately, due to time constraints not all Library projects were discussed at this meeting. Remaining Library projects carried over until the next meeting.</p>	Alexander Mills/ Luke Russell
<p>9. Next Meeting</p> <p>Date: Monday 30th May 2022</p> <p>Time: 8.30 – 10.30am</p> <p>Venue:TBC</p>	