

Minutes from Steering Committee meeting held on the 2/7/79.

Apologies from Ray Woolard, Rod Shaw, Tim Lewis, David Cabban. 11 present.

1. Teacher's Federation:

Who is eligible?

Who is credited to the Federation - full or part-time?

Merilyn to attend a meeting on Thursday to discuss artists' organisation's aim regarding Education, and the idea of opening friendly relations with the steering committee.

It was agreed that an "Art Education" Committee or working group, be proposed at the next General meeting.

2. Summary of revised Aims and Policies presented.

3. Press Release Report:

Distributed– but no response yet.

Susanna Short's article – this week's National Times.

List presented of people to whom the press release was sent.

4. Publicity and Poster:

Poster committee to meet, this week.

It was reported that the handbill had been distributed to the following places, Sydney Uni, Watters Gallery, Sculpture Centre, N.S.W. Gallery, Sydney College, Alex. Mackie, Film Co-Op and VAB.

2000.copies @\$22.00

– drop deliveries next week.

– Paid publicity – Radio 2JJ and ABC.

– Lyn to contact Tony – Frontline 2JJ.

– Nation Review –Merilyn to do an article by Monday.

5. Interstate news:

Queensland meeting –June 26th

Melbourne 10-11 July – Julie & Ian to check interstate.

6. Legal:

Michael and Ian to contact Garth Simon and Yuri Windt about attending our meeting next week to clarify the present position. Loren to check out Simon Win, Lawyer concerning a Govt. funded body in the States

7. Agenda for next General Meeting:

1. Minutes.

2. Report of Steering Committee. working committee to be formed for this. Julie, Viv and Loren.

3. Business arising

4. Proposed working groups: (a) Art Education

- (b) Creative Spaces – suggestions from the floor
 - (c) Policy Collectives
 - (d) Membership – fund raising, membership form proposed – membership drive.
5. Constitution.
6. Call for Volunteers for next Steering Committee.
7. To be included in the structure of the organisation: as far as practicably possible there be equal representation of women on committees and working groups.

8. VAB.

Meeting arranged for Thurs 12th at 11 am.

9. Newsletter:

posted mid-late next week.

Contains: summary of General meeting, Interstate report, future organisational problems, other organisations, Education, Participation.

Delivery – next week.

10. How often would General meetings occur?

– min. of three a year, with committee calling(majority) or by 20 members on petition to committee.

11. Membership of Steering Committee

– not to exceed two terms at one stretch. Annual Elections

NB. No more than half previous years Steering Committee may be re-elected.

– Open Steering Committee meetings – consensus vote as a last resort.

Liaison between Steering Committee and Working Collectives.

12. Funding: specific proposals to General meeting.

(a) VAB.

(b) Benefit – Robert, Michael & Peter.

(c) Premiers Dept – Cultural Activities. (Evan Williams)

Women's Premiers Dept (Barbara Wertheim)

The latter two to be checked out.

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