

# Wangka Maya Pilbara Aboriginal Language Centre 2005 Annual General Meeting & Special General Meeting

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	DATE: 15 <sup>th</sup> October 2005 Meeting opened 10.15am
	LOCATION Lotteries House South Hedland
1.	Present: Richard Oderson, Bruce Thomas, Susie Brown, Rosie Munro, Anne Sibosado, Edna
	Hopiga, Lizzie Daglish, Mandy Snook, Norton Williams, Alma Gray, David Woodman, Marlene
	Minter, Kevin Fred, Lorraine Injie, Joyce Injie, Carol Henry, Gloria Woodman, Donna Lockyer,
	Michelle Adams, Julie Walker, Ester Bundabarr, Gloria Ann Lockyer, Biddy Brown, Susie Monaghan,
	Pansy Hicks, Tootsie Daniel, Gary Daniel, Lillian McKay, Robyn Churnside, Violet Sampson, Harry
	Taylor.  Staff: From Heintz, Cine Croy, Boylone Corden, Floanere Book, Nyaporu Wellington, Bose Murray
	<b>Staff:</b> Fran Haintz, Gina Gray, Raylene Gordon, Eleonora Deak, Nyaparu Wellington, Rose Murray, Sue Hanson, Kendall Turland, Mette Sorenson
	Apologies: Albert Burgman, Winnie Coppin, Peter Coppin, Sandy Brown, Muuki Taylor, Teddy
	Allen, Glenys Hayes, Jilalga Murray, Trudy Hayes, Margaret Burragurra, Desmond Taylor, Martina,
	Purtungana Bangu, Elizabeth Sailor.
2.	Welcome to Country
	Raylene Gordon welcomed people to the meeting on Kariyarra country in language.
	Welcome to Meeting
	Chairperson Bruce Thomas
	Bruce welcomed everyone and thanked them for travelling from all over for the meeting.
3.	Minutes of the last AGM
	Read by Rose Murray
	Acceptance of the last minutes as being correct
	Moved: Rosie Munro
	Seconded: Ann Sibosado
	Carried unanimously
4.	<b>Chairperson Report</b> – Bruce spoke to the meeting about the year that has passed, how hard the
	work is and how we need to really being lifting up the young people to do this work.
	Fran Haintz read out the Chairperson's report from the See attached for written report.
5.	Audit Report -
J.	Fran Haintz presented the audit report. Fran went through the 31 different project funds that
	Wangka Maya had managed for the year.
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	The auditor made one qualification that was that the members register has not been kept in line
	with the rules of the registrar. This is a job for the Public Officer to ensure that the staff are
	maintaining appropriate records of members.
	Moved acceptance of the Auditor's Report:
	Moved: Lorraine Injie
	Seconded: Bruce Thomas
	Carried unanimously.
6.	Appointment of Auditor
	Paul Healy & Associates nominated as the Auditor for next year.
	Moved: Lorraine Injie
	Seconded: Ann Sibosado
	Carried unanimously.
7.	Annual Report – See Attached
	The Annual Report was presented by Fran, copy attached.

#### 8. Constitutional Changes - Special General Meeting

To membership component of the constitution was tabled and reviewed by the Executive Committee at the May meeting. The following recommended changes were moved and accepted and now need to be moved for amendment at this Special General Meeting.

#### MEMBERSHIP

8.1 Delete specific reference to towns and communities as this leads to exclusions. Proposed change to read:

Membership of the Association shall be open to all adult Aboriginal persons who normally and permanently reside in the Pilbara region.

Moved: Gloria Ann Lockyer Seconded: Julie Walker Carried unanimously

#### COMMITTEE

Add in new point:

9.2a The majority of the Governing Committee is to members of the Pilbara traditional speech community.

Moved: Edna Hopiga Seconded: Bruce Thomas Carried unanimously

#### 9. Flections

The current Committee stood down.

Considering the agreed change to committee membership, the meeting decided to elect the committee with a majority of language speakers. Julie Walker recommended that anyone interested in committee membership be listed first; we identify the language speakers and then elect the Executive Committee and General Committee from that point.

Fran Haintz called for nominations committee. The following people be nominated to be on the committee

Edna Hopiga **Tootsie Daniel** Phyllis Francis Julie Walker Ann Sibosado Harry Taylor Gloria Ann Lockyer Gary Daniel David Woodman Trudy Hayes Pansy Hicks Gloria Lockver Bruce Thomas Michelle Adams Rosie Munro Alma Gray

Joyce Injie Richard Oderson Lorraine Injie

## Chairperson

Bruce Thomas Nominated by Ann Sibosado

Seconded: Rosie Munro

All in favour of Bruce Thomas as Chairperson: Passed unanimously.

### Vice Chairperson

Lorraine Injie Nominated by Rosie Munro

Seconded: Edna Hopiga

Tootsie Daniel Nominated by Robyn Churnside

Seconded: Pansy Hicks

The two ladies were asked to leave the room and a secret written ballot was conducted.

Lorraine Injie was elected by vote as Vice Chairperson

# Secretary

Michelle Adams Nominated by Gloria Ann Lockyer

Seconded: Robyn Churnside

All in favour of Michelle Adams as Secretary: Passed unanimously

#### Treasurer

Ann Sibosado Nominated by Harry Taylor

Seconded: Rosie Munro

All in favour of Ann Sibosado as Treasurer: Passed unanimously

#### Public Officer

Trudy Hayes Nominated by Julie Walker

Seconded: Rosie Munro

All in favour of Trudy Hayes as Public Officer: Passed unanimously

## General Committee Members Nominations

The following people are all Committee members of the monthly Wangka Maya Committee: Rosie Munro, Tootsie Daniel, Joyce Injie, Harry Taylor, Gloria Lockyer, Gary Daniel, Phyllis Francis, Pansy Hicks.

The following people will be asked to attend quarterly general meetings:

Alma Gray, Kevin Fred, Edna Hopiga, Richard Oderson, Julie Walker, Gloria Ann Lockyer, David Woodman.

#### 10 General Business

#### 10.1 | **Show & Tell**

Staff each presented some of the works they had achieved during the year.

- ➤ Sue showed the Nyangumarta CD Rom, and discussed the completed language projects for the year as well as detailing the projects that are pending and likely for completion in the next 12 months as well as those that will take longer. (See attached) Sue also talked about the 60-year anniversary of the strike next year and the planned activities for this week through Wangka Maya.
- ➤ Eleonora showed the work completed on Purduna, Pinikurru and Payangu as well as Nyaparu Gardiner's Story.
- ➤ Nyaparu Wellington also spoke in detail about Nyaparu Gardiner's story and also the work she has done in the Nyangumarta Phrasebook.
- > Raylene Gordon told the meeting about her work as Cultural Awareness Facilitator.
- Fran introduced Gina Gray and Kendall Turland to the meeting explaining the importance of the Administration arm of the organisation.
- ➤ Rose Murray talked about her work with Link Up and some of the projects she had been working on such as the cemetery project, Lizzie Daglish's photos and the arts law posters.
- Fran explained the CDEP and how we are trying to attract workers from all over the Pilbara region. Fran also explained the progress of the land and buildings for the Wangka Maya Language, Culture and History Centre.