Minutes of the Committee Meeting, Folk Federation of NSW Friday 27th April 2012

1. Present: Anthony Woolcott (President); Jim & Dallas Baxter, Terry Clinton,

Pam Davis, Sandra Nixon, Margaret Walters.

Apologies: Brice Cameron

- 2. Minutes of the meeting held 9 March 2012 Approved
- 3. Financial Report (submitted via email):
 - Financial position is stable. Balance of operating account = \$5156;
 Term deposit = \$8240 (maturing May).
 - Only atypical expenses were \$315 reimbursement to Coral for out of pocket expenses & \$320 to Anthony for float for MoFo concerts.
 - Financial year concludes 30 April. Audit to be undertaken late May / Early June
 - Auditor to be advised of date of AGM
 - Noted that Declan Affley fund has DGR status. Suggest to Bruce that he speak to Bob Fagan about how this was achieved.
- 4. Action Items / Matters carried forward:
 - a) Membership Cards tabled.
 - b) Sales of Lawson books Chris Wheeler is achieving good sales of books at her CD launch. The Committee agreed that the book be sold at \$25 when "bundled" with Chris's CD.
 - c) MoFo
 - Last concert less successful that previous. Paid \$300 to main act & \$40 each to support acts. Tonight's concert expected to attract a larger audience.
 - If surplus is remaining after all expense & performer fees are met, 10% to be retained by FF for costs of future concerts
 - T-shirts not an immediate priority
 - Proposed design of business card/logo tabled. "In association with Folk Federation of NSW" to be added to business cards & all other written material (posters etc).
 - Noted that business cards define MoFo as "Modern Folkie".
 Committee felt that the Folk Federation would not be compromised by association with the name MoFo, particularly as it was defined in this way.
 - Registration of name suggested that the following names be applied for (Dept Fair Trading will select the first available from the list we supply)
 - o MoFo Modern Folkie
 - o Mau Fau
 - MoFolk

Ant to check with MoFo coordinators before application made to Fair Trading.

- Agreed that MoFo coordinators be encouraged to cover the cost of posters from concert takings
- d) JAM / Folk Fed Computer Issues
 - No further progress following discussion with Wayne re assistance with JAM / Folk Fed site.
 - Pam to discuss with her IT people.
- e) National Folk Festival
 - Ant will approach National re MoFo concert next year
- f) Cornstalk updates to contact lists
 - Pam to draft alternative to choir listings
- g) Songs for Social Justice
 - Are now members of FF.
 - Still looking for venue
- h) Masked ball / medieval feast?
 - No further progress
- i) Membership
 - Ant is following up lapsed members

5. Other business

- Pam's choir *Unaccompanied Baggage* is holding a fundraising concert on 23 June. Agreed that FF would be the auspicing body to enable the hall to be rented a community rates.
- Obituary of Lynette Hicks was published in the SMH.
 Suggested that this be acknowledged in the next Cornstalk.
- 6. Next Meeting t.b.a. Proposed date for AGM = 6.30pm Friday 13^{th} July at the Gaelic Club (prior to MoFo concert) (subject to Bruce's availability).