



Gunduwa Regional Conservation Association Meeting Minutes

Venue Teleconference – Special Meeting
Date 30/03/2017
Time 10:30am

Participants	Luke Bayley	Chair GRCA/Bush Heritage Australia
	Gordon McNeill	North Central Malleefowl Preservation Group
	Raul Valenzuela	Shire of Yalgoo
	Steve Churchill	Proponent
	Melissa Farrelly	Australian Wildlife Conservancy
	Richard McLellan	Northern Agricultural Catchments Council
	Jude Sutherland	GRCA – Business Manager

Apologies: Ben McLernon, Leah Bell

Distribution Gunduwa Regional Conservation Association
Chair: Luke Bayley

	Section	Action By/ Deadline
1.0	Introductions and Welcome	Luke
	Everyone welcomed to the meeting.	
2.0	Declaration of Interest	Luke
	Circulated and noted declaration of interest by Committee. (Noted in previous meeting / Separate document)	
3.0	9.2 Assessment of Projects	
	All projects were assessed by the Management Committee in conjunction with the vision and values statement of Gunduwa Regional Conservation Assoc. outlined in the Business Plan. Further information requested was sent out to the Management Committee for final assessment.	
	3.1 Murdoch University Title: Conservation of insectivorous microbats; new approaches to mapping genetics and infectious disease threats in Australia’s global biodiversity hotspot <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Gunduwa is acknowledged in all promotional material, social media, media releases and events associated with the project. Action: Approved for funding	
	3.2 Carbon Neutral Title: Restoration of ecosystems functions and biodiversity in agricultural landscapes <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Clarification of partnerships with Bush Heritage Australia and the Western Australian Museum and the role they will play. 	

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Gunduwa is acknowledged in all promotional material, social media, media releases and events associated with the project. <p>Action: Approved for funding</p> <p>3.3 Yarra Yarra Catchment Management Group Title: Assessing restoration success using reptiles and small mammals</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Clarification of sites to be identified within the Gunduwa Region Clarification of partnership with Moore Catchment Council, in relationship to Gunduwa boundaries Gunduwa is acknowledged in all promotional material, social media, media releases and events associated with the project. <p>Action: Approved for funding Motion: All 3 projects above are approved following clarification of items. Moved: Gordon McNeill Seconded: Raul Valenzuela</p> <p>3.4 Northern Agricultural Catchments Council Title: Engaging the Badimaya Rangers with conservation and land management on country</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Provide details of how this project could be developed into a sustainable model and what other financial contributors there may be into the future What happens after 10 weeks of the Gunduwa funded period Provide further background on the current experience and make-up of the Ranger crew. Clarify that the rangers will work within the Gunduwa boundaries and on conservation projects. Outline who will monitor and provide support to the project The administration cost of 20% is high, could this be reduced to 10%, if not please explain why Who else will fund the project to allow it to run for 12months Gunduwa is acknowledged in all promotional material, social media, media releases and events associated with the project. <p>Action: Provisions included in approval letter Could the rangers be involved in all presentation at Gunduwa Meetings Administration cost be reduced to 10% Conservation outcomes, integration into other Gunduwa Projects.</p> <p>Motion: Approved for funding: Letter to outline and endorse provisions (see above) to be incorporated into project. Moved: Raul Valenzuela Seconded: Melissa Farrelly</p> <p>3.5 Conservation Council WA Title: Building capacity for structured bird monitoring in the Gunduwa Region</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A breakdown of the workshop costings as this is the majority of the funds, details involved with the workshops, number of trainings and timeframes The benefits to the Gunduwa Region through the volunteer program and what ongoing conservation outcomes could be achieved Gunduwa is acknowledged in all promotional material, social media, media releases and events associated with the project. <p>Action: Provisions included in approval letter</p>	

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	<p>Advertise locally for people to be involved in the workshops. (Perenjori, Dalwallinu, Morawa) Link with Badimaya Ranger Project funded through Gunduwa Methodology for Bird Surveys provided to Gunduwa RCA.</p> <p>Motion: Approved for funding: Letter to outline and endorse provisions (see above) to be incorporated into project. Moved: Gordon McNeill Seconded: Raul Valenzuela</p> <p>3.6 Murdoch University Title: Developing Sustainable Geotourism Conservation Region – Stage 2 Not endorsed for funding in this round</p> <p>3.7 Greening Australia Title: Establishment of malleefowl forage in abandoned cropping zones Not endorsed for funding in this round</p> <p>Action: Write to all projects notifying of decision from assessment process. Media Release in MWT & local papers. Promote Proponents, and all successful projects. Advertise public meeting in Dalwallinu.</p>	
13.0	Meeting Closed & Next Meeting	
	<p>Meeting Closed: 11.18am Next Meeting: To be held 10.30am@ Dalwallinu on the 25th May General Meeting to follow with Project Presentations @12.30pm</p>	

Signed as a true and correct record of proceedings:

Chair: Mr Luke Bayley

