

## Fencing Victoria Advisory Council Meeting

7.00 pm Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> September 2016

### Minutes

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Chair: Helen Smith

1. Attendees: Robyn Hunter (Dragons), Carol Bond (Dragons), David Hubbard (SFA & Minutes), Jenny Shaw (Whitehorse), Geoff Webber (Blacklords), Ann Nuguid (Fioretto), Andrew Cobb (Fioretto), Jan Hannah (Spatha), Kayt Spano (VRI), Nick Irving (VRI).
2. Apologies: Andrew Moffat (VRI), Andrew Lus (Dragons).
3. Minutes of the meeting 8<sup>th</sup> March 2016, and matters arising:
  - It was agreed the minutes were a true and accurate record.

Moved by Robyn Hunter.

Seconded by Jenny Shaw.

- No matters arising .
4. FV Executive Report:
    - Carol Bond read and explained the report
    - Balance sheet is in good shape but several outgoings are imminent.
    - Geoff Webber reported that AFC#1 was very successful and the Vietnam Vets' presentation was well received.
    - AFC#2 in Adelaide, was a great success for our fencers.
    - Helen Smith reported on her trip to the Rio Olympics. She said that apart from some shortcomings, in the general sports events, it was a great success, especially the fencing, which was excellent.
    - AFC#3 in Perth. The venue could have been better, bearing in mind the size of the event, but in general it went off very well.
  5. Kayt Spano reported on the Arnold Classic.

Kayt also mentioned that the After-School Programme is proving to be a great success.

She is also trying to stage a higher profile competition at the next Arnold Classic.

6. State Fencing Centre:

Kayt explained her plans for the kitchenette, to make what is a present, just wasted space, into a permanent kitchenette.

She then went on to explain the problems around the "Privacy Policy" with regard to Video policy, and the committee expanded on this.

7. Expansion of the Inter-Club Competitions:

Nick Irving explained a possibility of staging an Inter-Club Competition.

Kayt and Nick have mapped-out some preliminary ideas.

8. Wheelchair Fencing:

David Hubbard raised the subject of Wheelchair Fencing, and explained how the idea is taking off in Sydney, and up in Townsville. Also that we have a very enthusiastic local young man, Jack Musgrave, who is very keen to get wheelchair fencing 'happening' here in Melbourne.

He also said that Chris Jones had made the offer of his 'Apple TV', in the hope that it could be used at Arden Street to 'Live-Stream' videos of fencers in action, as a training device.