Queen Mary Botanic Garden Advisory Committee minutes, 21st June 2023

Present Jo Hamilton, Lyn Box, Ros Small, Deirdre Freeman, Brenda Proctor, Dorothy Patton and Janelle Patching

Apologies Nil

Lyn Box-moved, seconded Jo Hamilton

Minutes from previous meeting – note change to previous minutes, Dorothy advised she spoke on the phone with CFA rep rather than in person re signage. CFA will remove the sign.

true and correct, Janelle Patching moved, Lyn Box seconded

Matters arising previous meeting

Plaque – Lyn to order 1 plaque with Jenny Bibby to install on new seating.

Palms – Friends of the gardens were successful in obtaining a \$1250 grant that now will be matched by Friends to purchase palms, supplies difficult and Jo Hamilton working on purchasing in spring, photos of plants will need to be sent to the Sports club for promoting of the grant.

Railway Hub Sign- Jo Hamilton spoke to a representative but may need to follow up with Russell Steel about removal of sign.

Signage brick wall-starting date sitting with Shire and Jarryd Ezard. Ready to go.

No other items from previous minutes moved Janelle Patching and seconded Lyn Box

Business arising

Last Working Bee was held in the Long Bed coming from McMahon Street along mance wall.

A lot of nandina and ivy to come out, mirror bush to come out. Roots need to be dug or sprayed out.

There is a beautiful salvia and Mexican orange blossom. Future working bee can continue on this garden bed.

Palms need to discuss are they going to be a formation and there needs to be a plan for the palm garden and chosen spots for planting.

Dorothy has a winter salvia and some agapanthus cuttings to donate to the gardens.

Children's play area needs to be planned, something that could be sensory and natural, was the idea of a water hand pump, all members to come with ideas to present at next meeting.

Next catering will be planned for the August 25th for a cinema night fundraiser, also Oct sometime for the senior's day, date to be confirmed.

Discussion on how to invite Advisory committee members into the future positions as they become vacant on the advisory committee, there will be an extra ordinary meeting held 16th August prior to our general meeting to discuss the process of inviting new members to the advisory committee.

Bev and Len Reid and a letter received from Lindee Parry with her resignation from the committee mean there a vacant positions. Janelle to send thankyou cards to these past members.

Next working bees 01.07.2023 and 05.08.2023

Moved Brenda Proctor and seconded Dorothy Patton

Gardeners report

Nil gardeners report

Other business

Discussion on planting ideas, like a grass tree, Christmas tree planting and kerbside planting

Next meeting 16th August- Extra ordinary meeting and General Meeting

Meeting closed. 6.22pm