

ADRA Board Agenda –Tuesday 13 May 2008
6.00 pm - Venue: Celestial Restaurant, Bligh St

ATTENDANCE

- Apologies

MINUTES

- ADRA Board Meeting Minutes of 22 April 2008

REPORTS

- President
- Treasures
- Membership
- Secretary

CORRESPONDENCE

*– Manus re Accreditation
Paper for 'Early DR' Seminar for CSD*

EVENTS

Seminars

- 15 May: Seminar - Ethical Living, - Vera Ranki
 - 10 July: Seminar - Michelle Brenner
 - 14 August: Seminar – Complaints Handling Systems – HCCC / Sally Trevena
- Practitioners Information and Networking Evening

- 26 June (5.30 for 6pm)

Complaints handling Forum

- 21 May (5 for 5.30pm)

Conferences

- 9 September – NADRAC Meeting
- 10-12 September: - National Mediation Conference, Perth. (EM,PC, AP, RL)

AGM

- 28 October: AGM - Paul Lynch, MP has accepted invitation to speak at 6.30pm.

GENERAL BUSINESS:

Next Meeting:

- 10 June 2008

ADRA
Meeting held 13 May 2008

Present: Val Sinclair (chair), Micheline Dewdney, Peter Irving, Allan Parker, Janice McLeay

Apologies: Paula Castile, Katherine Johnson, Sally Trevena, Mark England, Michelle Brenner, Emma Matthews, Robert Lopich, Tom Kelly.

Minutes:

Amendments: Amount of March dinner was \$316; Houselander (Spelling); first word under Gen Bus should be "Discussion" not "Sub committee".

Minutes as amended of the meeting held 22 April 2008 were accepted. Moved - JM, 2nd - VS.

Matters arising: The letter on accreditation requirements for members has not yet been prepared.

Correspondence

From NADRAC re RMAB

Papers from 'Early Dispute resolution' seminar - for ADRA library

Treasurer's Report

The following accounts were presented for approval:

April Board meeting dinner	\$335.50
Law Society for seminar and Forum	\$512.00

Our Term Deposit of \$10783.86 is due for renewal on 22 May 2008. It was agreed we should roll this over for the best available interest - currently 8.1% for 6 months.

Moved - PL, 2nd AP

Membership Report

There were no new members this month but it was noted that three requests for applications were received at the last seminar.

Events

Tom Altobelli's seminar was well attended and well received, as always.

Dr Vera Ranki is confirmed for 15 May.

David Newman is joining Michelle to present the Supervision seminar on 10 July.

Allan is no longer available on 26 June for the Practitioners Evening. It was suggested we may swap this date with the Saying Sorry seminar on 24 July. Janice to follow up with Sally and Mark.

Micheline offered to lead a seminar or practitioners' discussion on Flexibility in 2009. A sub-committee has prepared Guidelines for use by RMABs and other organisations to be discussed at the next Complaints Handling forum on 21 May.

General business

It was agreed that we should ask SADRA, WADRA, and VADRA to comment on our Complaints Handling Guidelines when they are complete.

ADRA will develop over the next six months a plan for the formation of a national collaborative body for Dispute Resolvers. Moved - AP, 2nd - PI. Agreed.

Margaret Halsmith had emailed an apology for our latest seminar. It was agreed that Janice should respond to her email asking if it was appropriate to put our wish to host the 2010 national mediation conference in Sydney. A letter was prepared for this purpose.

Questions about accreditation were raised. Janice is to follow-up with Emma for discussion at the next Board meeting.

Next meeting

6pm, Tuesday 10 June 2008 at the Celestial Restaurant, Bligh St Sydney.