

COM.IT.ES. July Monthly Meeting– Monday 4th July 6:15pm

Com.It.Es SA – 262a Carrington St Adelaide

MINUTES:

1. Welcome & apologies

- Present: Mark Quaglia, Christian Verdicchio, Gianna Vorrasi, Angelo Fantasia, Alessandro Vecchiarelli, Antonio Rosato, Alessandro Ragazzo.
- Apologies: Angela Scarino, Michael Donato, Martina Matta, Andrea Ramon, Tony Piccolo, Marinella Marmo (Maternity Leave).
- Consular Rep: Absent.

Before starting with the agenda it is noted that the June meeting didn't have a valid quorum. The legislation is not cleared regarding the quorum, if the co-opted members are to be considered in the calculation. Took advice from Franco Papandrea, CGIE representative, who informed that only the members elected can form a quorum. Attendance via Skype or teleconference is accepted for those unable to physically be present. This will be specified in the internal rules (regolamento interno).

2. Conflict of Interest

None.

3. Confirmation of the agenda

None.

4. Confirmation of April Minutes

Angelo Fantasia moved, seconded Christian Verdicchio and carried.

4.1.1 Business arising

None.

5. Appointment of Treasurer

- Gianna Vorrasi nominates, seconded by Christian Verdicchio, accepted by all.
- No other nominations presented.
- Maria Giovanna (Gianna) Vorrasi is appointed as Treasurer.
- Antonio Dottore to be removed from bank account as signatory, and to be replaced by Maria Giovanna (Gianna) Vorrasi as the third signatory on the Com.it.es SA bank account.

6. Ratification by the committee

6.1.1 Mario Romaldi Resignation letter.

- Mark Quaglia read the email sent by Mario Romaldi; a letter of thanks for his service and contribution to Com.It.Es. over the past 12 months was sent.

6.1.2 Confirmation of Admin Assistant Proposal

- Submitted and Tabled
- Christian Verdicchio moves to accept to hire Marylisa Fabian for an allocated 6 hours per month; if extra time of work is needed then a full committee approval is required; seconded by Angelo Fantasia, all in favour.

6.1.3 Dante Alighieri 'preventivo'

- Special meeting held on 20 June 2016. Parere and minutes submitted and tabled.

6.1.4 Italo-Australian Association Meeting Attendance (community engagement)

- Starting from tonight's meeting with Molinara Club, associations and organisations to attend monthly meetings when possible. A questionnaire/survey has been prepared.

7. Reports

7.1.1 President's – Mark Quaglia

- Consuntivo – Notified by Consulate that the 'consuntivo' was accepted. Thanked Marylisa for her assistance.
- Festa della Liberazione – Very well organised event and thanks to Christian for organising the event.
- Nuovi Arrivati Seminar – Very well organised event and was positive. Some things to improve on but a positive start and something to move forward on.
- Attended the Carabinieri functions 4th and 5th of June.
- Attended with Members of the committee "La Festa della Repubblica" on 5th of June.
- Attended Federazione dei Calabresi in South Australia Photographic exhibition and dinner on the 17th of June.
- Attended Sant'Antonio Mass and Feast on 19th June, congratulated Angelo Fantasia in organising the event.

7.1.2 Secretary's – Christian Verdicchio

Correspondence in

- Letter Marco Fedi April - RE: Patronati information, to organise a meeting with them in August
- Mario Romaldi resignation
- Dott. Roberta Ronzitti – RE: Internal rules (regolamento interno)
- Antonio Accorso – RE: deposit of funds into account.

A draft of the 'regolamento interno' is tabled. Discussed issue of the quorum. The legislation about the legal number to form a quorum is not clear and it can be open to different interpretations, whether only the elected members can form the legal number, half plus one of the original 12, or are the co-opted members to be considered as they are part of the committee. To take in consideration that all co-opted members are

equally responsible as the elected members. Also with the resignation of 2 elected members what will be the legal number. The previous committee and other Com.It.Es. have adopted to form a quorum with all members, elected and co-opted.

In the 'regolamento' it is established to have 7 members to form a quorum. For those unable to physically attend the meetings can do so via Skype or teleconference and will be considered as present.

Executive committee. Discussed who is considered to be on the executive committee as the legislation talks about electing a number of members and not positions. The secretary attends the executive meetings without the right to vote. Amendment to the 'regolamento' and no positions will be specified.

Meetings. Com.It.Es. members who are not be able to attend Com.It.Es. meetings, will need to notify the secretary by 5pm on the Friday prior the meeting. This will allow the secretary to establish whether there is a quorum, however unavoidable circumstances might arise therefore the secretary must be notified as soon as possible.

Action: Antonio Rosato will check the whole document and will forward any changes. Christian Verdicchio moved that the document is accepted with all the above changes, seconded by Alessandro Vecchiarelli, motion carried.

7.1.3 Treasurer's – Christian Verdicchio

- Submitted and Tabled
 - Deposited Italian Government funds for \$19,012 for the general administration (cap. 3103)
 - Deposited Italian Government funds for \$1,167 for the President travels (cap. 3106)
 - Re-imbursement of \$786 from Winson Wang Website
 - Current closing bank statement \$15,361.77

- Payments
 - \$750 Word Press Website – new contractor, quote for \$2,500 which is \$2,000 cheaper than the previous contractor
 - \$85 Locksmith for the office door, reimbursed to Christian Verdicchio
 - President travel for the Perth Intercomites meeting - entitle to \$237,49 per day and reimbursed the airfare cost
 - \$23 Gmail account – the account will be terminated at the end of the year due to new email.

Angelo Fantasia moved all reports to be accepted, seconded Gianna Vorrasi, all in favour.

8. Sub-Committees Reports

8.1.1 Communications and Public Relations

- Festa della Liberazione.
 - Alessandro Ragazzo moved to thank Christian Verdicchio for organising the event, seconded Antonio Rosato, all agreed.
- Website:
 - Winson Wang is unable to continue with the website development for health issues and a new contractor has been contacted, Word Press Website.
 - Winson Wang charged approx \$500 for time and layout.
 - New Domain www.sacomites.org.au and email info@sacomites.org.au
 - Navigated content of the website
 - The website should be finalised by the end of July
 - Aperitivo Evening, possible to coincide with official website launch event
- Com.It.Es. banner, cost \$230 and extra \$100 for design.
 - Christian Verdicchio moved to approve the cost for the banner and design, seconded Angelo Fantasia, all in favour.

8.1.2 Community Engagement

- The subcommittee will get together in the next two weeks.

8.1.3 Education and Research

- None.

9. Consular Report

- Not Present.
- Gianna Vorrasi raised the issue of the Consul or a representative attendance to Com.It.Es. meetings. It is not compulsory for the Consul or a representative to attend but are invited and notified with the agenda.

10. Other business

- Received email from Antonio Accorso regarding the possibility to apply for extra funding but it has to be for a specific project. Mark Quaglia suggested a possible collaboration with ARIA.
- Community Engagement Stakeholder Questionnaire. Suggested to add a question: what does your club promotes and is there a need for the association to exist.

Meeting Close 7:30pm

Signed by:



Mark Quaglia
President



Christian Verdicchio
Vice President & Secretary