**BURRITT’S RAPIDS COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION**

**MEETING MINUTES – October 14, 2021**

**Members in Attendance:**  John Dwyer, Vanda Stanley, Jill MacDonald, Angie Lyrette (Hall Rental Agent)

**Financials**

A financial report was circulated. The Treasurer noted that Hall rentals are back to normal and that we had received a $1,500 donation from a near-by solar farm. While hydro costs remain high, insurance costs have been lowered. All in all, then, Hall finances are in fairly good shape.

**Minutes**

No minutes were presented.

**Hall Maintenance/Activities**

**Small Halls**

While the Small Halls regular event has been cancelled due to our very limited capacity when following COVID protocols, Small Hall organisers are planning a Christmas concert at the Hall in December and holding out the possibility of having a musical event in February 2022.

 **OTHER EVENTS/ISSUES**

The Company of Fools is coming to check out the Hall and, should things work out, may be scheduling a performance.

**Annual General Meeting**

There was a general discussion on the AGM. It was agreed that the meeting should be held on Friday November 26 2021. Board members Vanda Stanley and John Dwyer indicated that they would not be seeking re-nomination. Vanda’s partner has apparently agreed to step forward, and other community members have signaled a willingness to be on the Board.

Member John Dwyer will organise the license and wine for the event. COVID protocols make it difficult to provide nibblies. The Board agreed to wait a little before deciding how to handle this in the hope that current restrictions will be eased.

 **GREEN AND ACCESSIBLE PULIC BUILDINGS PROGRAM**

Some Members were hesitant about proceeding with an application, first, because there have been so many disappointments with other grants and, second, because it seemed some of the proposed components were only tangentially linked to the program focus. Member John Dwyer indicated that the program process was structured so that Department officials would give an early indication as to whether the proposals – or sub-components therein - being made met funding guidelines. The hard work that would be required to develop a comprehensive plan only happened after this initial step.

It was agreed that we should try to finalise the proposal, including by ensuring better costing estimates and carefully reviewing the relevance of sub-components, and see what happens at the first review stage.

**Next Meeting**

**November 11 at 7:30 pm**