

AESL MONTHLY MEETING

04/02/2019

7:00PM-10:00PM

Lembit's House, 42A
Warleigh Grove, Brighton,
VIC 3186

Meeting called by:	AESL	Type of meeting:	Monthly
Facilitator:	Lembit Marder	Note taker:	Eva Otsing
Present:	Lembit Marder, Regiina Rohan, Sirje Jõgi, Eva Otsing, Reta Jurgenson		
Not Present:	Nora Sumberg		

Minutes no ??

Agenda item: REPORTS

Will discuss AGM

Minutes from AGM

Agenda item: CORRESPONDENCE IN

LETTER 1

From AGM minutes from Taimi Nurm.

Action items	Person responsible	Deadline
✓ Sirje will send the minutes out to the organisations	Sirje	n/a

LETTER 2

From Tiiu Salasoo says it is AESL responsibility to keep the newspaper going.

DISCUSSION:

Sydney Eesti Selts owns Meie Kodu.

LETTER 3

From Peeter Mutike about Meie Kodu, explaining the situation. Saying if AESL wants to take it over, AESL is welcomed to do that.

Action items	Person responsible	Deadline
✓ AESL will say we do not wish to continue	Lembit	n/a

LETTER 4

From Tiiu Salasoo. She is seeking \$118.70 reimbursement for teaching materials for Adelaide teacher Eve Enoch-McKinnon. She sent through receipts.

Tiiu is also asking if we can support students in financial difficulties.

DISCUSSION:

We would like to reimburse the teacher.

We are not in the position to give financial support, it's not budgeted. ERC might be able to help in this matter.

Action items	Person responsible	Deadline
✓ .Sirje will reply to Tiiu	Sirje	n/a

LETTER 5

ERC newsletter

Agenda item: CORRESPONDENCE OUT**LETTER 1**

Lembit to Peeter Mutik. Lembit requested financial information about Meie Kodu.

Including subscriptions information.

LETTER 2

Lembit emailed Ait about the status of Eesti Päevad budget balance. Aet responded approximately €10000

LETTER 2

Lembit to Maie asking about future of Archives

Agenda item: AGM**Discussion:**

Who should pay for meals. Melbourne Society should pay because AESL is in Melbourne this time.

Meal \$540

Drinks \$127

Action items	Person responsible	Deadline
✓ Sirje will write to Melbourne Estonian Society	Sirje	n/a

Agenda item: TREASURY REPORT

Check Acc: \$5940.94

Eesti Päevad Acc: 86480.72

Term Deposit: \$136000

Refund Lembit:

Officeworks \$13.47

Officeworks \$409.50

Invoice from Eesti Kodu Linda:

AGM

Drinks \$127.19

Food \$540

Application to refund Ene Enoch-McKinnon

School Materials \$118.70

Agenda item: CHASING UP MEMBERSHIP FEES

Discussion:

Regiina will not contact the members because no correct data.

Lembit has created a spreadsheet with all organisations' information.

Lembit has also made a timeline with all the tasks.

Action items	Person responsible	Deadline
✓ Lembit will send a link to the spreadsheet (viewable but not editable) to each recipient to check that the details correct	Lembit	1 March 2019

Agenda item: POSITIONS

Discussion:

Eva to write the fundraising letters. Goal of letter is to raise funds for AESL.

1. "We have started fundraising"
2. "Donations still accepted"
3. "Last Chance"

Action items	Person responsible	Deadline
✓ Eva will design and write the letter	Eva	20 th February 2019

Agenda item: INDEPENDENCE DAY SPEECH AND AUKIRI

Discussion: Lembit will prepare a speech for Independence Day. Also will prepare Aukiri to Rein Valling.

Action items	Person responsible	Deadline
✓ Lembit will request Certificates to be printed	Lembit	10 February 2019

Agenda item: INDEPENDENCE DAY EVENT@ EESTI MAJA

Discussion:

Lembit needs to print the donation letters.

Action items	Person responsible	Deadline
✓ Lembit will print the letters once they're ready	Lembit	24 February 2019

Agenda item: AGM Discussions

ADMINISTRATION OF AESL:

Lembit has set up aesl@estonia.org.au and all correspondence will go from there.

Lembit has set up docs.estonia.org.au – Database for all information

MEIE KODU CLOSURE:

Meie Kodu is closing and final publication will be after EP. Sulev Kalamäe said there's still \$20000 in a cash deposit.

Taimi Nurm said there is \$20000.

In AESL constitution it says we support disseminating information and now we should receive back the support since they have closed.

Lembit met with Madis and raised the issue with them and said Meie Kodu is owned by Sydney Eesti Selts.

It should all be transparent.

Meie Kodu has received \$8000 every year for the last 10 years, \$6000 last year.

Questions:

1. Should all donation recipients provide their financial records?

ESTONIA.ORG.AU

Estonia.org.au could provide a space for sharing information.

Meie Kodu should be replaced and Lembit says it should be replaced by Estonia.org.au. Lembit is considering setting up a forum only for registered members.

Eesti Päevad lost approximately \$10000.

Archives owe rent to Eesti Sydney Selts. They pay \$2000 a month ever since 1993 based on an agreement. The agreement says rent can be increased based on CPI. Tiina Madis now says they own Eesti Sydney Selts \$15000.

Questions:

Should archives be restructured?

ADELAIDE

Adelaide will not host AESL next time

AESL and ERC

Incorporation for AESL.

Lembit suggested to have a digital forum to brainstorm, to decide the future of AESL.

Lembit has suggested setting up a new organisation called Estonian Foundation.

Discussing about how to get all information across to people in order for them to make informed decisions.

ÜEKN

Maie filed a report about ÜEKN for AGM. We can send another person to attend ÜEKN (will be in Tallinn/Ottawa)

Global Estonians

Questions:

Should we get involved?

Action items	Person responsible	Deadline
✓ Lembit will keep requesting information from Meie Kodu	Lembit	n/a
✓ Lembit will suggest the archives to write up a project in order to digitize all the archives.		
✓ Lembit will arrange the Forum and send emails to mailing list to join the forum and invite their members.		

MEETING FINISHED

NEXT MEETING DATE: 18 March 2019