



Alinytjara Wilurara Natural Resources Management Board

Meeting No. 58

MINUTES OF MEETING

12-13 December 2017

Venue: Sage Hotel, Adelaide

Statement of Acknowledgement

We acknowledge and respect the traditional custodians whose ancestral lands we are meeting upon here today.

We acknowledge the deep feelings of attachment and relationship of Aboriginal people to country.

We also pay respects to the cultural authority of Aboriginal people visiting/attending from other areas of South Australia/Australia present here today.

In Attendance:	
AW NRM Board Members (and/or proxies)	Parry Agius (Presiding Member), Debbie Hansen , Peter Miller , Kristie Richards , Mima Smart
DEWNR NR AW Staff	Mary-Anne Healy (A/Regional Director), Bruce Macpherson (Manager, Community Engagement), Leah Feuerherdt (Manager Planning and Sustainable Landscapes), Thuy Phan (Manager, Business Support), Pia Richter (A/Manager Parks and Co-management), Brett Backhouse (Ecologist), Keisha Weetra (Administration Officer), Helen Donald (Communications Coordinator), Sue Agars (Executive Officer)
Apologies:	AW NRM Board Members: Mick Haynes , Anton Baker , Sally Scales

1. Welcome and Apologies

Meeting opened at 9.00am

Presiding Member Mr Parry Agius welcomed AW NRM Board members, guests and NR AW staff to Meeting 58 of the Alinytjara Wilurara Natural Resources Management Board (the Board).

Mr Agius declared the meeting open and acknowledged the area's traditional Aboriginal custodians, past and present, elders and leaders, and what their strong connection to country.

2. Adoption of Agenda and Declaration of Conflicts of Interest

An overview of the Agenda for Meeting 58 was provided by the Presiding Member, along with some insight into guest speakers and topics. The Agenda for Meeting 58 was adopted. There were no declared conflicts of interest.

3. Confirmation of Previous Meeting Minutes (for approval)

The Minutes, and Summary of Minutes & Actions for Meeting 57 held at Scotdesco in October 2017 were reviewed and discussed, and an overview of key outcomes was provided by Parry Agius and Mary-Anne Healy.

The Minutes, and Summary of Minutes of AW NRM Board Meeting 57 were adopted without further amendment.

Moved by: Peter Miller
Seconded by: Kristy Richards

4. AW NRM Board Action Register (for noting)

Mary-Anne Healy, A/Regional Director
(refer to Action Register)

Mary-Anne Healy provided an update on current Board Actions, with discussion around items. There were no actions arising.

5. AW NRM Board Presiding Member Report (for noting)

Parry Agius, Presiding Member
(refer to presentation)

Parry provided an overview of the role of the Presiding Member. Key activities conducted since last meeting included:

- National Biosecurity Forum Canberra.
- Shortlisting and interviews NR AW Regional Director Role.
- AW and AMLR NRM meeting re: Adelaide Meets the Bush Strategy.
- National Landcare Network Meeting.
- Climate Change Services Australia Symposium.
- NRM Investment Strategy Meeting.
- Chinese Academy of Agricultural Sciences.
- Presiding Members Council.
- Tandanya Exhibition meeting with SA Museum and AMLR.
- Five Ways to Wellbeing in Nature (panelist), Health and DEWNR initiative – Parry advised of stories he had told at the meeting describing connection to Country and the 'eagle view' by the AW NRM Board. Parry advised the group were highly moved by the stories.
- AW NRM Board Retained Earnings Think Tank.

Decision:

The AW NRM Board note the report of the Presiding Member

Moved: Peter Miller
Seconded: Kristy Richards

6. NR AW A/Regional Director Report (for noting)

Mary-Anne Healy, A/Regional Director
(refer to presentation)

Mary-Anne provided an overview of the role of the Regional Director, and activities conducted since last Board meeting including:

Governance and Planning:

- Board membership process- call for members closed and assessment/appointment process underway.
- Liaising with DEWNR on key issues- Better Water Planning, Mining and exploration.
- Healthy Country Planning – FWC process recognised at the DEWNR Green Globes awards (acknowledging Board, Community, Co-management, and staff contributions).

Relevance and Relationships:

- NRM Investment Strategy- starting to investigate idea of AW investment strategy (connect to strategic planning processes).
- National Landcare Program 2- attended the National CEOs meeting, met with Aust. Govt. with SA reps. RMT with LHA and preparing for tender process.
- Ten Deserts Project (partnership proposal), outcome of application process should be known soon. Rangers from SA attended the IDA Ranger forum.
- Rangelands NRM Alliance- Connecting AW to other regional NRM organisations operating across the rangelands of Australia.

Strong Partnerships with Stakeholders: overview of MoU's developed. Update provided – FWC signed November 2016, Yalata Community Council signed 2014 (due for review), APY drafted 2015 (to be discussed with new APY Executive early 2018), AMYAC, ALT, and MT all in early stages of development.

Current and Emerging Strategic Issues (next 6 months): Board membership, NLP2, Board 'Think Tank' for Retained Earnings, Partnerships with LHA's and Native Title bodies, Cross-regional relationships (meeting with AMLR NRM Board, planning for EP and SAAL NRM Boards). Recruitment for RD role being finalised.

NR AW activities: NLP2 planning and preparation including review of NLP (current) projects, Co-management meetings and actions, Performance reviews and training discussions, and 2016-17 Annual Report.

AW NRM Board 2016-17 Achievements and Operations of the Board report tabled for Board review. Report intended as a snapshot of 12 months achievements, complementing the *Palya Newsletter*. Board discussion concluded that there should also be an inclusion of partnerships ie. DEWNR and public lands. Acknowledgement and thanks to Mary-Anne Healy and Helen Donald for compiling the report.

Decision:

The AW NRM Board endorse the AW NRM Board 2016-17 Achievements and Operations of the Board Report, and note the report of the A/Regional Director, NR AW

**Moved: Peter Miller
Seconded: Kristy Richards**

Action: Helen Donald to include links between DEWNR, Co-management and Public Lands in AW Region, in AW NRM Board 2016-17 Achievements and Operations of the Board report

Action: Helen Donald to upload the AW NRM Board 2016-17 Achievements and Operations of the Board report to the NR AW website

7. DEWNR Reconciliation Action Plan

*Mary-Anne Healy
(refer to presentation)*

Mary-Anne advised high level DEWNR Reconciliation Action Plan 2017-19 has now been launched and implemented.

Hard copies of the DEWNR Reconciliation Action Plan 2017-19 tabled for Board review.

Keisha Weetra advised she is a Reconciliation Committee Member and had participated in compiling the Action Plan. No further discussion.

8. Healthy Country Planning Update

*Pia Richter, A/Manager Parks and Co-management
(refer to presentation)*

Pia advised background to the presentation – to keep the Board updated with activities around the Healthy Country Plans which guide the work and outcomes. Pia advised that an internal workshop had been held with AW and EP staff in Ceduna to identify lead project managers to drive the HCP outcomes. AW staff currently working on project proposals for NLP2. Proposals will be linked to the Healthy Country Plan outcomes. Yumbarra Co-management Board HCP On Country Workshop held. By 2020 the Board need to update their NRM Plan for the whole region.

Parry Agius requested the planned timeline for HCP's and connection between the NRM Plan to be revamped using the HCP's - demonstrates engagement with the Community. Also must be aware of possible conflict of interest and separation of cultural thinking for groups ie. Yumbarra/Nullarbor which may cause tension issue in future. Connection required, but without causing division amongst groups. Due respect without one group dominating the other.

Pia advised current status for completed HCP's and those plans in development. Plans yet to be developed include MT and Yalata to be reviewed. Similar issues for all areas ie. Buffel, camels, employment, and mining. Parry advised need for advertising the positive's available in the region.

Pia advised priorities for NLP2 were being developed by LHA's as follows:

- FWC HCP: Visitor Management, Buffel, Camels, Feral animals, Mining, and creating employment.
- APY: Review of existing IPA Management Plans which will inform NLP2 funding priorities. On-ground HCP scheduled to begin early 2018 – awaiting APY Anthropology participation in process.
- AMYAC: use Tallaringa Manta Palya Plan to inform NLP2 priorities. Continue to support development of independent ranger team. Develop HCP with MT, and review the Yalata HCP.

Parry Agius raised discussion around visitor management. Discussion around where the visitors were coming from and what issues were being highlighted. Pia advised unregulated visitor access into areas ie. Yellabinna and Maralinga Lands. Environment and places being impacted by 4WDs. Main concern is that there is no compliance/no presence. EP developing a high level visitor management plan to protect areas of significance.

Discussion around creation of relationships with peak bodies to reduce the number of players. Discussion around what was being done to speak with groups ie. 4WD clubs. Pia advised Variety Club SA coming through parks next year. Brett advised larger groups not the issue, and it is usually the smaller, more inexperienced drivers causing issues. Request for future discussion paper.

Discussion around scope around areas of Buffel ie. should there be an accepted area above or below the railway which is focussed upon, and how to promote to attract funding for employment etc.

Action: Pia Richter to develop a discussion paper around Visitor Management in the NR AW Region

Action: Leah Feuerherdt to develop a discussion paper around scope of Buffel grass `focus area' in the NR AW Region

9. Habitat Restoration and Predator Proof Fencing

Brett Backhouse, Ecologist
Benjamin Daly, Regional Planning Coordinator
(refer to presentation)

Brett provided background to the presentation – Threatened Species Strategy 2015-16 Action Plan provided \$6.6m over 5 years for projects focusing on feral cats, safe havens for species most at risk, improving habitat, and emergency intervention.

Review of current Australian Government safe-havens and funding included: Newhaven, Mulligan's Flat, Astrebla Downs, Mt Rothwell, and Waterfall Springs.

Options for AW reviewed including costs and benefits, and pros and cons. Brett advised the Warru Pintji had been very successful. Suggestion that the existing fenced area could house a wider range of endangered species, or a new fenced area could be built in the region. Suggestion for the AW NRM Board to visit Arid Recovery in SAAL region.

Parry Agius raised discussion around developing a proposal for attracting local community and townships/schools that identify with creatures, to `adopt a creature or location' through AW or AMLR – linking people with the region.

Action: develop a concept paper/science story around linking people/communities with the region.
Consideration to attracting future funding and investment to stop the decline of species in the region.
Possible combined project with AMLR.

10. Threatened Species Program Update – Warru Relocation Project

Brett Backhouse, Ecologist
(refer to presentation)

Brett provided background to the presentation – long term project working on halting the decline of species and long term monitoring. AW assist in the recovery of Warru in APY lands providing logistical and on-ground support. Activities of the Warru recovery task force overviewed. Update on translocation and survival rate of Warru including 7 animals confirmed deceased, 4 have left the location, and new juvenile noted on remote cameras.

11. Adelaide Meets the Bush Strategy – Tandanya Exhibition update

Bruce Macpherson, Manager Community Engagement
Helen Donald, Communications Coordinator
(refer to presentation)

Bruce provided background to the presentation – the main items for discussion are the joint AW and AMLR NRM Boards Tandanya Exhibition (opening 8 March 2018), the meeting on-country (May 2018), and WoMAD (3 day event).

Overview of Adelaide Meets the Bush Strategy engagement opportunities including: Meet the Bush, Bush Chatter, Women Share Bush Stories, Voices from the Bush, and Bush Exhibition/event.

2017-18 joint programs include; school to work experience between the two Regions in 2018, joint display at WOMAD 2018, Adelaide Meets Bus Exhibition 9-30 March 2018, Satellite exhibitions across the AMLR region in April/May, and a reciprocal meeting of the Boards on Country in 2018.

WOMAdelaide: (9-12 March 2018) joint application to share space at WOMAD 2018 has been successful with double tent allocated. Opportunity for cross-promotion of the Meet the Bush exhibition at Tandanya. Series of displays related to joint programs between the Regions. Opportunity for the Board to explore future opportunities to present at WOMAD, such as Planet Talks. 4 tickets available to staff and Board to represent the region.

Action: Bruce Macpherson to create roster for Board/Staff to attend WOMAD and represent AW Region (using available tickets)

Bush Video and Art Exhibition update: Tandanya agreed to host exhibition 8-30 March. Natural Resources Committee of Parliament will attend the launch and the Minister has been invited to open the event. Suggestions from the Board for PPT or images. Draft exhibition plan/floorplan and exhibition pieces/projections reviewed. Key theme areas overviewed. 3 minute video 'Saving Warru' viewed by the Board. Ninti Media cutting a half hour video for use at the exhibition.

Bruce advised a meeting has been held with the curator from SA Museum. Curator will provide support for exhibition, working with both Boards. Chris Daniels AMLR NRM Board to MC the opening, but VIP for opening to be finalised. Parry Agius requested further thought and nominations be provided for the opening. Board request for all photographs to be reviewed and approved before use in the exhibition.

AW and AMLR NRM Boards Statement of Intent: draft Statement of Intent reviewed. Title reviewed. Suggestion for: –Tjungu pukulpa (happy together). Wording yet to be finalised.

Action: Bruce Macpherson to finalise title of Statement of Intent/ Tjungu pukulpa between AW and AMLR NRM Boards

Action: EO to contact Board Members and advise range of activities during the Board Meeting/Exhibition /WOMAD week and seek indication of availability

12. AW and AMLR NRM Boards – Preparation Session

Parry Agius, Presiding Member

Parry introduced the item and advised that members and staff of the AMLR NRM Board would be attending the next item, and invited preliminary discussion around the following topics:

Meeting of Awnrm And AMLR Boards on Country: update provided. Mary-Anne advised that AMLR are committed to the event but it is unknown what their expectations are ie. if supported, accommodation or camping is an option. Peter Miller suggested the group stay at Scotdesco and do day-trips to visit sites ie. Yalata beaches, Scotdesco, Goog's Lake, Head of Bite. Consideration to be given to: how many days travelling/staying, any health issues, happy to camp, if a meeting is required, happy to travel, what are the expectations people have of this time.

What does AW want for AMLR:

- understand remoteness
- culture – food sources, important sites, and stories
- way of life
- history – Ooldea, Maralinga
- personal stories
- what looking after country looks like in AW

What does AW want from AMLR:

- hunger to work together
- AMLR to have personal experience
- time to explore and experience

13. AW and AMLR NRM Boards – Joint Discussion

Parry Agius, Presiding Member

Bruce Macpherson, Manager Community Engagement

Parry introduced the item and provided an overview of topics to be discussed. Chris Daniels, Presiding Member of the AMLR NRM Board provided an introduction and welcome to country. Follow up from the meeting held in May 2017 to talk about joint interests. Chris introduced Alexi Kentish and Russell Johnstone (Board members), and Kim Krebs, Manager Community Engagement (AMLR). He advised they were all here to listen and contribute to the meeting and see what could be learnt from each other.

Chris advised AMLR were starting to engage in Aboriginal nations currently in the Adelaide area, but looking for connection with Aboriginal people in the NRM space. Looking at ways to reach new audiences as 90% of people in AMLR don't know what NRM is. People are concerned about the environment, local species, want to help but don't know how. AMLR looking at how to engage the local community – small farms through to larger farming practices etc. Working to understand 'sense of place' – difficulty engaging with the disengaged because they don't realise they are part of that space. Working with AW to understand sense of 'connectedness' better – mechanisms to work with Aboriginal nations to underpin what is delivered to the broader community. Art exhibition at Tandanya, WOMAdelaide, the Indigenous Cup, bring people together then move on to NRM. Thinking outside the square and learning from each other. Understanding art and the coastal issues. Meeting on-country – listening to perspectives about NRM in the AW region.

Exhibition at Tandanya: SA Museum wanting to partner with the AW NRM Board around curating art exhibitions and other forms of cataloguing etc. Keen to hosting exhibitions in the museum in coming years. It's about reaching new audiences about NRM – through art, new friends, and support.

Discussion around joint visit on-country. AMLR may do a presentation on-country. Consideration of strengths and weaknesses of NRM to be discussed. NRM system in general – climate change, population growth, changes in growth. Coastal areas important part of next steps of NRM focus for AMLR ie. Threats and marine challenges. Protection of cultural sites along the coast important. Opportunities for young people on-country. Time to talk about issues. Time to look around.

Parry referred to Natural Resources RCP trip to the AW region in April, 2016. The trip included the Nullarbor, caves, coastline, Maralinga Village, Googs Lake, and was a 4 day trip. Parry advised the trip was only limited by timing and who can participate for how long. School holidays to be avoided. All aspects of NRM to be included/discussed during the trip ie. How AW manage water, tourism, and diversity.

AW Board members would like AMLR Board members to be the extended voice of AW when they return to Adelaide – speaking of their experience to others.

Suggested itinerary discussed: drive to Koonalda, then back along the coast – caves, Yalata beaches/sandhills, to Fowlers Bay, Scotts Beach. 1st night at Koonalda, 2nd night in Yalata sand hills. AMLR expressed an interest in bush tucker. Mima to extend an invitation to group for Yalata community to visit on-site. Possible time for Men's and Women's groups for discussion. Interest in viewing local art.

Suggestions for Yalata Land Management to provide fresh fish/seafood for dinner. Possible fishing trip. Women's Council for catering.

Draft Statement of Intent: **Tjungu Pukalpa** – feeling happy together. Listening to one another: wurkaringi. Chris Daniels agreed the sentiment of the title was exactly what was portrayed in the Statement of Intent.

The joint discussion concluded their discussion at this time, and members and staff of the AW NRM and AMLR NRM Boards were joined by other guests at Cleland Wildlife Conservation Park for the AW NRM Board Xmas Dinner.

Action: Staff of AW and AMLR to work together to develop an itinerary for the joint Board on-country trip scheduled for May 2018

End Day 1 of 2

Members and staff of the AW and AMLR NRM Boards, and other invited guests went on to attend the AW NRM Board Christmas Dinner at Cleland Wildlife Conservation Park.

**Alinytjara Wilurara Natural Resources Management Board
Meeting No. 58**

Day 2 of 2 – Wednesday 13 December 2018

Venue: The Sage Hotel

Meeting start 10.00am

The Presiding Member advised a late addition to the Agenda for Day 2: discussion item around planning for Statoi to meet with Traditional Owners throughout the West and Far West Coast of SA. Parry advised he will step out of the meeting at 2pm to attend another commitment, and nominated Peter Miller to Chair the meeting in his absence.

The Board discussed the success and enjoyment of the AW NRM Board Christmas Dinner (held the previous night).

Action: EO to write a letter to GED P&R and CE DEWNR commending the staff from Cleland Wildlife Conservation Park for their effort in providing such high quality catering, and an event enjoyed by all who attended.

15. NLP2 Update and Process for Submission

Mary-Anne Healy, A/Regional Director NR AW

Mary-Anne provided background to the presentation – to provide status update on NLP2 funding process. Overview of past funding provided. Current NLP ends June 2018, then NLP2 starts. Regional Land Partnerships 2018-2023 with \$450 million in funding. 20% less than the first phase of NLP with a new focus on partnership. There are six proposed outcomes (2 agriculture, and 4 environment). Outcomes by 2023 are: Ramsar sites (N/A), Threatened Species Strategy, World Heritage Areas (N/A), threatened ecological communicates, land management practices, and capacity to adapt to significant changes in climate/weather/markets.

Review and discussion of outcomes. Core services include: strategic NRM planning, supporting the NRM Community, Monitor, evaluate and report on NRM projects, and Regional Agricultural Landcare Facilitator.

AW NRM approach is to look at HCPs and pull out priorities and actions, discuss with the LHAs, continue building on what we are currently doing, and connect with neighbouring regions, state-wide, and other funding programs to build package.

Action: RMT to review/update AW NRM Board Mining Policy for Board Meeting 59

Discussion around priority projects and AW NRM approach, including threats and targets for FWC, AMYAC, MT, APY and Yalata. Approach to be communicated directly to the LHA's for discussion and agreement. Peter Miller requested CAC be included in discussion.

Recommendation:

The AW NRM Board notes the update on what we know about the NLP2 process, discuss and approve the RMT approach, nominate who can sign off the tender documents

Discussion around projects/strategies/ policies to come to the full Board for approval. Capability statement of the Board members to be written for tender process. Mary-Anne proposed that several Board members would be required to look over the initial tender and approve on behalf of the Board.

Decision:

The AW NRM Board note the update on NLP2, approve the approach as recommended by the A/Regional Director, and nominate Parry Agius and Peter Miller to review the NLP2 submission. Board to then give approval for final sign off.

**Moved: Kristy Richards
Seconded: Debbie Hansen**

Parry Agius raised discussion around alternatives for funding re: competition for NLP2 between 8 regions and strategies for dealing with potential loss of funding. Suggestion for discussion with neighbouring regions so that they are all working together. Mary-Anne advised she was meeting with other Regional Directors to discuss in detail. Potential for no funding. Opportunity to optimise application for funding re: projects and work with other regions on AW boundary. Leah advised AW were in a good position because the Board reflects what is important to community and projects/funding is reflected in the submission.

16. Smart Farming Partnerships

Leah Feuerherdt, Manager Planning and Sustainable Landscapes

Leah provided an overview to the presentation – to provide the board with an overview of the Smart Farms partnerships program and applications, and to seek Board approval for sign-off for approach to regional project application.

Leah advised Smart Farming partnerships was about the uptake of sustainable agricultural practices. Currently has 6 years of funding to June 2023 with grant application in process, however outcomes are limited as competing with other regions and bodies for funding. Leah advised AW NRM Board must be strong in telling the AW Story to get best outcome. Another fund round will be available late 2018 for projects up to \$4m. Focus on partnerships – people working together on projects. AW, PIRSA, and APY submitting application for APY Pastoral development. Includes APY water points and yards to manage total grazing pressure, control ferals and buffel, and increase beef production and business for Anangu. Virtual electric fence being trialled. Aim of project is to have healthy country and animals. Proposal for AW to be lead applicant with approval from APY Executive and PIRSA for involvement. Cwltth Govt looking for good governance and history of managing projects. Hoping to link in with other projects – Opuntia being submitted by lead PIRSA with AW to have involvement.

Motion: AW NRM Board agree to be involved in the Smart Farms `Opuntia` project and support PIRSA as lead applicant

Moved: Peter Miller
Seconded: Kristy Richards

Action: NR AW RMT to provide support PIRSA as lead applicant in the Smart Farms `Opuntia` project

AW have given in-principle support for SAAL for APY Pastoral to run Far North Climate Change adaptation program. Buffel Grass – SAAL putting in application. Cats – Biosecurity SA. Ground cover monitoring – CSIRO and Rangelands and NRM.

Motion: AW NRM Board endorse that AW lead application process with PIRSA and APY for the Pastoral Development Program

Moved: Kristy Richards
Seconded: Peter Miller

Action: NR AW RMT to lead application process with PIRSA and APY support for the Pastoral Development Program

17. Social Return on Investment

Leah Feuerherdt, Manager Planning and Sustainable Landscapes

Background to report provided by Parry Agius – what Social Return on Investment is and why is it important. Leah to explain how to get funding to remove camels which represent a danger to road users (as an example). Funding is to help reduce tragedies and look after country. Leah advised that AW region has similar issues to other regions ie. grazing pressure, water holes, feral camels etc. With significant unemployment in the region, Ranger positions are one of the main sources of employment.

Leah advised that SROI is about working in the environmental space, with education/health etc. for social, cultural, economic and environmental outcomes. Also is to assist MAC so roads are safer, looking after country, helping pastoral business and employment. Discussion around feral animals with forecast impacts on humans ie. vehicle crashes/injuries, and pastoral impacts.

Question around how AW supports this type of activity. Who to approach to invest with us to help achieve the outcomes? Suggestions include SAPOL, MAC, APY, SA Health, DEWNR, Dept. Prime Minister and Cabinet. SA Water, SA Housing. Education Dept. Tourism / Visitor Safety management.

Consequences of not acting cost at least \$4m per year to APY. SROI ratio \$1:\$3. Question around how to attract investment.

18. Climate Change Services Australia

Rebecca Short, Business Manager

Parry Agius introduced item with regard to preparing for the next 2 years if there is a new Govt. with new policy.

Climate Change Services Australia Capability brochure tabled. Rebecca provided an overview of her role as Business Manager. CCSA Formed in Feb/March 2017 after discussions with SA, VIC and private sector consultants exploring

what would come out of Climate Change projects on-ground. International reputation being gained.

Rebecca advised there was an informal feeling that a lot of activity is happening in the climate change and sustainability area. Aim to build capacity, facilitate sharing, and strengthen interaction between the public, private, and research sectors. Overview of activities and planning processes locally and interstate. Summary of risk assessment reflecting on adaptation planning.

Starting point for Australia: policy planning and governance, Agriculture viticulture, horticulture, build environment and green infrastructure, energy supply and management, Health and Water Resources. CCSA act as a broker for groups wanting to participate – linking specialists with those wanting to work on solutions and partner with others. Collecting information and referring. Offer to AW to join the network. CCSA are running local and International projects and initiatives ie. recent Climate Change Symposium, partnership programs, and market research. Overview of the management for CCSA provided.

Discussion around coastal and future climate change issues in AW region and possible invitation to come and discuss again in the future.

19. Red Cross Australia

Jai O'Toole, State Manager, Emergency Services, Red Cross Australia

Jai provided an overview of his role and activities. Primary focus is supporting those most vulnerable through disasters, justice system, and mental health issues. Services are run through volunteers (approx. 20,000) and large supporter base ie. corporate/government etc. Red Cross has a workforce of around 50,000 people and there is a 5 year strategy to 2020 setting large targets which will ideally make Australia a better place.

Social exclusion, and understanding impacts of climate change is not strong but needs to be developed. Red Cross are in process of developing a new strategy for climate change in the future – environmental and sustainable capabilities in the community, and identifying challenges with climate change predictions. Role of Red Cross is strongly humanitarian with strong strategic planning. Local level planning present challenges with delivery of programs in the past not consistent.

Jai advised Red Cross now working with numerous other agencies ie. SAPol, SES, and Centacare, for emergency preparedness. Having conversations with communities around impacts of climate change. Resilient South program running with AMLR NRM Board. Examining humanitarian and environmental impacts. Water and land pollution, supply chains for resources.

Parry requested the board give consideration to how AW could partner with Red Cross for benefit of the region. Jai advised he was open to ideas for partnerships with Red Cross.

Discussion around visitor impacts in Oak Valley and opportunities around SROI for multiple outcomes.

Presiding Member left the meeting. Peter Miller A/Chair.

20. AW NRM Board Strategic Discussion

Item deferred.

21. AW NRM Board Financial Statement 2016-17

Thuy Phan, Manager Business Support

Thuy advised background to presentation – to review overspend of \$63k as requested by the Board at Meeting 57. Thuy advised final overspend was \$59,939. Overspend has been included in Annual Report in the audited financial statements. Summary of financial statements 2016-17 reviewed. Board income 2016-17 reviewed, Board expenditure 2016-17 reviewed. Summary of Financial Statements demonstrates \$58,939 overspend. Overview of audited financial statements 2014-17 reviewed. Thuy advised the previous two financial years were underspent. 2016-17 Income V Actual as at 30/6/17 reviewed. Overspent projects reviewed – Board Expenses, Vehicle Expenses, and Minor Equipment and Material overspent.

Decision:

The AW NRM Board note the final audited financial statements 2016-17 and areas for overspent expenses

**Moved: Kristy Richards
Seconded: Peter Miller**

22. AW NRM Board Financial Report (as at 30 November 2017)

Thuy Phan, Manager Business Support

Thuy advised background to presentation – AW Board 2017-18 income as at 30 November 2017. Carry over \$350k now approved. Expenses to 30 November reviewed. Discussion around vehicle and travel expenses. Community Services contracts are currently low. Board to note that November to February is a minimal work period in the field due to weather conditions. Expenses will be much higher after February. Projects and budget allocation for 2017-18 reviewed – further insight into Projects and allocations provided by RMT.

Recommendation:

The AW NRM Board notes the 2017-18 Financial Report as at 30 November 2017

**Moved: Kristy Richards
Seconded: Peter Miller**

23. Other Business

The register of AW NRM Board incoming and outgoing correspondence was reviewed (refer to Correspondence Register). No items raised for further discussion.

24. Communications

Key Messages from Meeting 58 of the AW NRM Board included:

- The Board are working with AMLR NRM Board with a statement of intent now implemented (Pulkupa Tjungu)
- AMLR NRM Board on-country visit to AW Region planned for May 2018
- Adelaide Meets the Bush upcoming activities include an Indigenous Art Exhibition at Tandanya 8-29 March & representation by the Board for the AW region at WoMAD 9-12 March 2018. The AW NRM Board are forming a partnership with the SA Museum to assist with the Art Exhibition at Tandanya.
- Future funding applications in progress include NLP2, and Smart Farms
- Discussion around SROI and future possibilities for activities
- Discussion around Climate Change with Climate Change Services Australia and Red Cross
- Think Tank held around AW NRM Board Retained Earnings (held OOS 11/12/17)
- Concept of Predator Proof Enclosures discussed – for further consideration
- Update on the Warru Relocation Program
- DEWNR Better Water Planning Management reviewed with consideration to traditional water use and access
- AW NRM Board Christmas Dinner with invited guests held at Cleland Wildlife Conservation Park

25. Forward Agenda

The AW NRM Board Forward Agenda was reviewed and amended (refer to Forward Agenda). Items added include the meeting with Statoil and Traditional Owners; overview of next meeting arrangements with members staying on for WoMAD; Policy and Governance session.

22. Next Meeting

There being no further business to discuss, Parry Agius provided the members with thanks for their attendance and contribution, and NR AW Staff for supporting the Board with the meeting requirements. The meeting was then declared closed at **4.00pm** on Wednesday 13 December 2017.

The next AW NRM Board meeting will be held: in Adelaide, 6-8 March 2017

Day 2 of 2 Meeting Close

Draft Minutes reviewed by Presiding Member:



Date: 6/3/18