

COM.IT.ES. Meeting– Tuesday 9 July 2019, 6:15pm

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

MINUTES:

1. Welcome & apologies

- Present: Christian Verdicchio, Gianna Vorrasi, Mark Quaglia, Michael Donato, Angela Scarino, Alessandro Ragazzo (video conference), Andrea Ramon (video conference).
- Apologies: Antonio Rosato, Tony Piccolo, Martina Matta.
- Consular Rep: Marco Serrangeli

2. Conflict of Interest

None.

3. Confirmation of the agenda

Movement approval of Dante Alighieri report to item #5.

4. Confirmation of May Minutes

Mark Quaglia moved, seconded Gianna Vorrasi and carried.

4.1.1 Business arising

Received letter of resignation from Franco Salzano for health reasons.

Mark Quaglia moved to accept the resignation, seconded by Michael Donato, motion carried.

Action: Christian Verdicchio will send a letter wishing him all the best.

5. Approval of Dante Alighieri Funding 2020

'Preventivo' is submitted and tabled; committee deliberated and passed the approval unanimously.

Mark Quaglia moved to accept, approve and support the Dante Alighieri

'Preventivo' for 2020 for 85.000,00 Euros, seconded by Alessandro Ragazzo, all in favour.

The approved 'parere' is given to Marco Serrangeli.

6. Reports

6.1.1 President's – Christian Verdicchio

President report.

- Com.It.Es. participated to both Radio Italia Uno e Radio Italian 531 and this will continue in rotation.
- Met with BENE's CEO, the Italian course for carers will continue. BENE is interested to employ carers with the new Carer Visa, however more information is needed.
- Meeting with the associations/clubs is concluded. Matteo Farina will be attending this meeting later to discuss the data collated.
- Business mapping project, on hold.
- Planning for 2020 for the 'Preventivo'.
- Local funds, 'proventi locali'. The purpose of these funds are for projects or activities to support the community, the donation was not intended for administration. Proposal:
 - 2 awards yearly for uni students, UniSa and Flinders. The recipients will receive \$250 for 4 years;
 - Sponsorship towards SAIA for its 70th anniversary in consideration of their ongoing support to Com.It.Es. and to the community.

Mark Quaglia moved to approve the proposal, award and sponsorship, seconded by Gianna Vorrasi, all in favour.

Invites:

1. Scalzi Carabinieri Event 20 July 2019
2. Sen. Jing Lee Multicultural event 18 July 2019 – Mark Quaglia to attend
3. P.I.S.A. 20 years celebration at Government house and rebranding as Nonna's Kitchen, 24 July 2019 – Christian Verdicchio to attend.

6.1.2 Secretary's – Martina Matta

None.

See correspondence in Dropbox.

6.1.3 Treasurer's – Mark Quaglia

Treasurer report.

Current bank statement with a closing balance of \$7,7966.62.= on Cap. 3103, local funds not included.

The business mapping will be included in the 'preventivo' 2020.

Action: Christian Verdicchio will re-circulate the proposal for consideration and everybody will provide feedback.

Discussion followed regarding the funds as Com.It.Es. mandate expires in April 2020 and what will happen to the local funds if Com.It.Es. closes. Marco Serrangeli doesn't have any information of the next Com.It.Es. election.

Action: Marco Serrangeli will get information regarding Com.It.Es. Election and Christian Verdicchio will contact Franco Papandrea CGIE and the Parliamentarians.

Michael Donato moved to accept and approve the treasurer report presented, seconded by Gianna Vorrasi, all in favour.

7. Sub-Committees Reports

7.1.1 Community Engagement and Public Relations – Christian Verdicchio

1. New Arrivals Seminar. Proposed October, early November. By then more information on the new visa general skills and Carer visa will be available. To be finalised by September.
2. Italian Community Report – Matteo Farina.
From the interviews and the analysis collated, 3 groups have been identified because of their different roles and scopes: Welfare, Aged Care and clubs.
 - o Welfare (Patronati) providing service;
 - o Aged Cares residential and community, in need for Italian speaking carers; relies on volunteers who are also ageing and being potential clients;
 - o Clubs, volunteers ageing, struggling to connect with young ones. The disconnection with the youth goes back when the 1st generation wouldn't include them; there is a generation of 50-60 years old missing.

The project is still ongoing. Once the report is concluded it will be presented and discussed with the Italian Community.

7.1.2 Education and Research – Angela Scarino

- Language project ongoing, report should be finalised by September.

Michael Donato moved to accept all the sub-committee reports, seconded by Mark Quaglia, all in favour.

8. Consular Report
None.
9. Other business
None.
10. Meeting Close 9.00 pm
Next meeting Tuesday 10 September 2019 at 6:15pm

Signed by:



Dr Christian Verdicchio
President



Mark Quaglia
Treasurer