



PalliativeCare
AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY

ACT BOARD OUTCOMES

from meeting of 1 May 2017

FROM THE PRESIDENT

The month of May is a great opportunity to highlight the palliative care message with the National Volunteer Week running from 8-14 May and National Palliative Care Week from 21-28 May.

On 10 May we have the Volunteers' Appreciation Dinner which provides a wonderful opportunity to say thank you to all the volunteers who give generously of their time to support those people who are at end of life and their carers. The Board looks forward to catching up with as many volunteers as possible at the dinner to be held at the Canberra Southern Cross Club.

On 21 May Palliative Care Australia (PCA) has again invited Palliative Care ACT (PACT) to the Governor General's Morning Tea, to be held at Government House.

DIVERSITY STRATEGY

PACT continues to foster a close relationship with Palliative Care Australia and to that end has contributed to and will benefit from work being undertaken by PCA on the LGBTI and Aged Care Diversity frameworks. The aim is to embed better practice in service delivery to meet the needs of both the LGBTI community and also those older people in society need of our services.

A Diversity Think Tank is being held from 2.00 pm – 5.00 pm on 17 May at the Tom Elvin Centre. Interested participants should contact the CEO regarding attendance.

CEO AND STAFF ACTIVITIES

Both Day Hospice sites have now ceased operating under our MOU. We have been advised that North Side will continue to at least Christmas when it will review its position, and South Side will continue with a scaled down version funded through church donations. Previous clients are now part of our home based program.

The Data Project is well on track. Information has been collated from a wide range of sources and work is now taking place with the IT professionals to ensure this information is available on line in a user friendly format. The project is scheduled for completion by the end of June.



FUNDRAISING ACTIVITIES

The movie *The Zookeeper's Wife* to be shown at Palace Cinema on 4 May has been fully subscribed. A big thanks to all supporters who are attending.

High Tea at The Lodge on 20 May has been organised as a high profile fundraising event. The ANU School of Music, Capital Wines and Rosebery Street Bakehouse are our corporate sponsors. Tickets are still available through Eventbrite at a cost of \$100.

The Power of Music concert on 3 June at the Canberra Southern Cross Club is another great fundraiser. Tickets are \$40.00 and will be available shortly through Eventbrite.

Planning is now turning to the Annual Fundraising Dinner with a Terms of Reference, and a Master Action Plan agreed by the Board at its meeting.

FINANCIAL REPORT

The financial report for March was presented by the Treasurer. We are continuing to track well against budget and there are no significant accounts for payment or any areas of financial concern.

NEXT MEETING OF THE BOARD

The next meeting of the Board is scheduled for Monday 22 May. We plan to finalise the Strategic Plan for 2017-2018 and discuss the establishment of a Risk and Audit Committee.

Louise Mayo
President

