

## Minutes Justice and Peace Committee September 18, 2022

Present: Maxine Barry, Jo Petrov, Jenni Bond, Katherine Purnell, Sally McGushin

Apologies: Peter Jones, Robert Rands

### Business/Concerns:

- Recommended: Raising Peace Festival (already in progress)
- Note October 1 - forum on the Uluru Statement at Kingborough UC
- Booklet produced by Catholic Religious Orders Australia: relating to concerns about indigenous people. Incarceration, Don Dale Youth Detention Centre, etc *[can't find the link unfortunately]*
- Meeting between members of our committee/Meeting and the Friends School Environmental Committee set for lunchtime November 4. Attendees will be: Maggi Storr (has offered to be contact person), Sally McGushin, Robert Rands.
- Request: someone to write regarding Australia signing on to the Nuclear Test Ban Treaty. Jenni has offered to write this.
- Our minute acknowledged re a minute of silence to acknowledge our presence on unceded aboriginal land at Meetings
- Acknowledgement receipt for donation to anti AUKUS campaign
- Still no response from Sen. Duniham re support for Uluru Statement/referendum when this is brought forward by Labor Government
- In this regard, it is disappointing that some public figures claim there is insufficient information on the details of the Uluru Statement, when there is a website devoted to it.
- Youth Justice in Tasmania, and enquiry into abuses at Ashley. Its very existence denotes the failures of the youth justice system, which needs a thorough overhaul. Not enough staff. Not enough programs to divert youth and tackle the problems leading to offending.
- To consider for the next meeting: any other groups to which we wish to donate regularly, and avoid receiving correspondence. **\*see below**
- Letter of congratulations to the Government on the proposal that punters will be limited to \$5000 per year, which will be in place from 2024 - Sally will write
- QPLC Action Alert on refugees. Australia is signing on to stopping the death penalty worldwide. Noted, a report on the increase in modern slavery. Eternal vigilance.
- Maxine has sent the motion urging adoption of the Durham / Kutcha Edwards improved lyrics to Advance Australia Fair to the relevant Federal government ministers and to Senator Dodson, and will also forward that email to Linda Burney.

### Next meeting October 16

#### Other groups we might donate to:

- Katherine has suggested FWCC
- Maxine suggests Environmental Defenders' Office

#### Recommended to read/visit:

- World beyond War: always something of value - webinars and resources
- UNAC: United National Antiwar Coalition. Many webinars etc - upcoming one on Ukraine; unac@lists.riseup.net

