**Minutes of HGAWA Committee Meeting held at Department of Sport and Recreation, Leederville 2nd June 2016**

Meeting Commenced 18:40pm

Present: Richard Breyley (RB), Walter Reeves (WR), Sam Clark (SC), Mike Duffy (MD), Rod Merigan (RM), Peter South (PS) by telephone.

Apologies: Fritz Neuman (FN).

Visitors: David Leath (DL)

1. The Quinns Rock Site agreement was moved to the top of the agenda.

* At the AGM Rob was deputized to represent HGAWA in negotiating the Quinns Rocks site agreement. The committee specifically instructed Rob to include hang gliding as part of the site agreement, it was not to be a paragliding only agreement. This has not happened and the current draft does not include hang gliding and in fact specifically excludes hang gliding in the definitions.
* DL apologized for that oversite. DL stated that the agreement is necessary after a complaint was received by council specifically about paragliding and as such the agreement was designed to address those complains.
* The draft document submitted to be endorsed by HGAWA is just the planning approval. While the planning approval excludes hang gliding, hang gliding will be included in the usage license with the Wannerroo Council. The draft license was sited and this is in fact the case.
* DL stated that they would prefer not to change the document at this stage as the planning approval is a sensitive issue and the next stage in the process is public consultation, and the results of the public consultation can be unpredictable.
* Nevertheless at this stage the document has not been sited by council, and has only been reviewed by a couple of individuals at the City of Wannerroo.
* DL stated that the document as it currently is has the highest chance of gaining the planning approval.
* Discussion
* A long discussion was held and there were a number of views expressed.
* The outcome is the HGAWA committee does not wish to endorse a document that unnecessarily excludes hang gliding. A number of hang gliders do fly the site on a regular basis and the committee does not wish to potentially exclude them.
* The HGAWA committee has requested that hang gliding be included with paragliding as a definition. This would require an inclusion of only a line or 2. The document does no need a wholesale rewrite. This is an identical request as has been previously communicated to Rob.

1. **Bakewell**

* PS has suggested that a Bakewell committee be formed by appropriately qualified or skilled HGAWA members with a background in legal, land ownership, planning or the environment. This committee would then develop a strategic plan which would eventually secure the site for all time.
* PS will publicize this on the Western Soarers website.

1. Peter South was absent for the remainder of the meeting.
2. **Minutes from last meetings:** Minutes from the last committee meeting held 24th March 2016 were accepted. Moved RM, seconded WR, carried unanimously.
3. **Correspondence In:**

* Nil

1. **Actions Items Previous Minutes:**

Peter S: Follow up Margaret River.

Sam C:

Rick W:

Rod M: Report on crowd funding options and proposals.

Mike D: Develop Day Dream Plaza using the Rockingham agreement as a template. **Item to be deleted.**

Walter R: Site agreement with Cottesloe Council, do we need one?

Follow up on tree clearing at Cottesloe. **The trees have been cleared, a new site agreement is not required.**

Richard B: Site Guide. **There has been no progress, Richard will get on with it.**

1. **Safety**

* Nothing to report.

1. **Competition Funding**

* HGAWA will not financially support WA pilots competing for their country in the next world championships. These pilots already received competition support from HGAWA and such funding is the responsibility of the NSA.

1. **Suns Memorial**

* RB to contact Mike Farren and find out the status of Suns memorial.

1. **Other Business**

* Site Guide
  + To be published with approval of the managing clubs and SSO’s with a suitably worded disclaimer.
* Cloudbase Future
  + The Cloudbase Paragliding Club may fold due to the increased reporting and regulatory requirements required from incorporated associations.
* AGM
  + PS to set the date.

**Meeting Closed 20.05h**

**Actions:**

Peter S: Follow up Margaret River.

Set the date for the AGM.

Send out email requesting volunteers for a “Bakewell” committee.

Sam C:

Rick W:

Rod M:

Mike D:

Walter R:

Richard B: Site Guide, start publishing.

Contact Mike Farren RE: Sun’s memorial.