**Greater Shepparton LGBTI+ Community Alliance**

**Meeting Minutes – Wednesday 5th September 2018**

**5.00pm-7.00pm**

**GV Water – Boardroom Upstairs: 104 – 110 fryers Street Shepparton 3630**

**Attendees: name and pronouns included**

Christina Bassani – she/her, Georgina Poort – she/her, Meredith Butler – she/her, Zane Scott – he/him, Neil McLellan – he/him, Nicole Robinson – she/her, Aileen Watson – she/her, Ken Campagnolo– he/him, Damien Steven– he/him, Trish Quibell – she/her, Chris Parnell – he/him, Petra Alwer – she/her

**Apologies**:

Katie Clavarino, Joel Board, Paula Pappas, Michelle Harmer

1. **Welcome to all and apologies**

Meeting opened at 5:10pm

1. **Acknowledgment Of Country**

Christina Bassani

1. **Introductions**

Attendees introduced themselves, and where they were from.

**NEW ADDITION** of pronouns to be included moving forward during introductions and within minutes.

**GUEST SPEAKER, 30 minutes:**

Meredith Butler, Switchboard and the Out and About program.

1. **Confirmation of Minutes**

Minutes from meeting held on 18 July were moved G. Poort and seconded by C. Parnell with the amendment of a spelling error on **8.5.3** VAR changed to VARST and pending Michelle Harmers update for **8.9**.

1. **Actions from last meeting/minutes to be followed up.**

Refer to action log attached to these minutes

**ADDITION ACTIONS - HAD BEEN MISTAKENLY REMOVED:**

**4. Melbourne University – Endocrinologist contact: Christina Bassani** (see table)

**Introduction of ONGOING COMMUNITY ISSUES/ACTIONS table**

Table to include:

1. Safe space and social group for those who may not be out, don’t like the café scene GV Pride provides, would like something different within the community.

**Action**: allocate 20 minutes of time to brainstorm at the next meeting.

1. Mooving Art Cow.
2. **Correspondence**

**Chris Parnell** tabled a report “Review by the Muslim Collective and the LGBTI Community” and discussed barriers for people from CALD and especially muslim communities being able to be out within Australia, their religion and our region.

**6.1. Chris** actioned to create a closed Facebook group for there to be a safe space for them to be able to connect at least on a social media level.

**6.2. Chris** actioned to send the report to Christina for email distribution to all Alliance members/to be added as a document/file to the closed Facebook group.

**6.3. Chris** to explore what options there are for multicultural LGBTI+ people through the Ethnic council and perhaps someone form the Ethnic Council may wish to come along as gust to an Alliance meeting, join the Alliance.

1. **Standing Agenda Items**
   1. **Mooving Art Cow**

**Petra** going to follow up with **Joel** and GSCC regarding the mooving art cow. There was a competition that has since closed, however the criteria for this competition was not necessarily for an LGBTI+ cow. Will be an ongoing agenda item.

* 1. **Mapping of LGBTI+ inclusive practice training in region**

**Christina** to create a spreadsheet for all Alliance members and stakeholders to fill in for past present and future training happening in our region. Table to include who delivers the training, the scope of the training, frequency, cost, accessibility etc.

1. **General Business**
   1. **Revisit Roadshow discussions and ideas to help guide Alliance focus/engagement**

Re-actioned for the next meeting – allow 20 minutes for discussion.

**8.2. Elders Dance Club**

Conversation centred around transport limitations and disadvantages for people wanting to come along from the Cobram and surrounding areas. Some ideas included, access to community cars, council bus, car-pooling with others coming from the same area, taking public transport. No definitive resolution was reached, rather an awareness needing noted for this agenda item.

**Petra** to investigate possible car pool option etc through GSCC.

1. **Calendar of Events (standing item to be updated as required):**

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| **Date** | **Event/Day** | **Special Comments** |
| 1st – 4th November | Out in the Open Festival | Carnival day to be held on 3rd Nov |
| 20th November | Transgender day of remembrance | To be marked as a significant day  Chris Parnell to look into an interfaith service on the day/around the date. |

1. **Meeting Reflections**

Discussed at the end of the meeting, reflections included a discussion around having a guest each meeting for the first 30 minutes before the 90-minute meeting, and keeping the time to 5-7pm for better accessibility for members. Decided that Alliance would go ahead with a guest, Trish oe colleague to talk about Safe Schools from DET

1. **Next Meeting**

**Date:  Wednesday 24th October**

**Time: 5.00pm-7.00pm (guest for first 30 minutes)**

**Address: Department of Education and Training, 180 High Street Shepparton**

**RSVP**: [michelle.harmer@gatewayhealth.org.au](mailto:michelle.harmer@gatewayhealth.org.au)

**Meeting Closed: 7.01pm**

**Meeting dates 2018**

* Wed 12 Dec

**Greater Shepparton LGBTI+ Community Alliance Action Log**

| **Number** | **Date of Introduction** | **Action** | **Who** | **When** | **Progress** |
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| **1.** | 21/02/2018 | Communications plan | All Alliance members |  |  |
| **1.1** | 11/04/2018 | Review language and finalise communications plan for adoption at next meeting | Georgina Poort  Katie Clavarino | 24/10/2018 | Georgie to do a final check of language, ensure inclusive |
| **1.3** | 11/04/2018 | Zane Scott to be added as administration for Facebook page, as per discussion last meeting, following development of online guidelines.  Damien Stevens following development of online guidelines.  Zane and Damien to meet, discuss language and adjust document and also to ensure Zane has access to the group as he is having issues being able to Post in the group from an admin position. | Damien and Zane  Damien and Zane | 05/09/2018  24/10/2018 | COMPLETE |
| **1.4** | 30/05/2018 | Documents uploaded to GV Pride to be in PDF format for accessibility | Georgina Poort to check | 05/09/2018 | COMPLETE |
| **2** | 18/07/2018 | Amend Quorum details in TOR then upload to GV Pride website and Facebook group | Katie Clavarino  Georgina Poort | 05/09/2018 | COMPLETE  To be sent out with minutes please. |
| **3** | 18/07/2018 | Email GV Pride asking for funding or flag for donation to the Aussie Hotel. | Michelle  Chris | 5/09/2018 | Was followed up by Georgie/GV Pride and application has since been withdrawn. Paula to pursue individually. |
| **4.** | Unknown | Endocrinologist at GV Health Shepparton |  |  |  |
| **4.1** | Unknown | Meet with contact from University of Melbourne to follow up regarding getting an endocrinologist to the GV Hospital and Shepparton. | Christina | 5/09/2018 | COMPLETE  Christina met with her contact and discussed ways to get an endocrinologist to our local hospital. Outcome of that meeting was that there will need to be some advocacy work to get community to drive this. |
| **4.2** | Unknown | To get Wodonga contacts and share them with working group for assistance and support – as Wodonga has a gender clinic and endo already. | Georgie | 20/9/2018 |  |
| **4.3** | Unknown | Formation of working group  Members interested in being a part of working group included: Christina, Georgie, Zane, Nicole, Aileen and maybe Paula. | Christina to champion working group | **????** |  |
| **4.4** | Unknown | Approach work colleague, Anna, and if interested in assisting send contact to Christina. | Georgie | 20/9/2018 |  |
| **4.5** | Unknown | Communicate with Katie from GV Health regarding best methods for advocacy within the hospital and report back to working group. | Christina | 24/10/2018 |  |