

**AUSTRALASIAN CORRECTIONS EDUCATION ASSOCIATION**  
**MINUTES FROM MEETING HELD**  
**6 March 2009**  
**1.00 – 2.00 pm EST**

**ATTENDEES:**

*Executive committee:* Ron Cox (QLD), Christine Laird (WA), Jo McAlpin (NSW), Marty Burgess (NSW)

*State/Territory Representatives:* Janice Navin (NSW), Buktha Sathurayar (Qld), Ray Chavez (WA), Julie Whellum (ACT), Gerri Walker (SA)

**APOLOGIES:** Madonna Cochrane (NT), Heather Barry (SA),

**Chairperson:** Ron Cox  
**Minutes:** Jo McAlpin  
**VENUE:** Teleconference

AGENDA ITEM NUMBER	<u>AGENDA ITEM</u>	ACTION	Timeframe
1.	<b><u>Minutes of meeting held on 5 December 2008</u></b> Read, acceptance moved Ron Cox, seconded Christine Laird		
2.	<b><u>Treasurer's report</u></b>  There is currently \$68, 878.58 in ACEA account. \$10,000 was sent to WA on 4.2.2009.		
3.	<b><u>Resignation of Ken Banfield as Treasurer.</u></b> Karen has changed jobs and is no longer working with DCS in NSW. Ron thanked Karen for her contribution to ACEA. The committee decided not to appoint a a new Treasurer until the next election which will be held before the AGM  <b><u>ACEA constitution: Ron Cox</u></b> The draft has been sent to all committee members for consideration.		

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	<p>Note</p> <p>(i) the draft refers to the extended committee as the ACEA Advisory council.</p> <p>(ii) elections of all positions will be conducted prior to the AGM, using an E voting system and a non ACEA returning officer.</p> <p>(iii) ACEA common seal will be ordered by Ron to be kept by Secretary.</p> <p>Any revisions to wording should be sent to Ron by 16 March. If no suggested changes are received this draft will become the final Constitution and posted on the website, with advice to all members.</p>		
4.	<p><b><u>Update on joint ACEA and Reintegration Conference in WA: Christine Laird</u></b></p> <p>Dates: 30 August – 1<sup>st</sup> September, with an ACEA breakfast/AGM Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> September  Venue: Parmelia Hilton Perth</p> <p>Theme: “Correctional education and the dynamics of community re integration”</p> <p>There will be 3 concurrent sessions, with some overlap. International speakers will deliver plenary sessions. Christine Laird will present a paper providing an overview of Aust correctional education in each state and territory.</p> <p>Ray is organizing international speakers, Ray to draft a letter of invitation to speakers from Ron as President..</p> <p>Suggestion for panel topic: over representation of indigenous people in Aust prisons.</p>		
6.	<p><b><u>Current membership:</u></b></p> <p>Current members for 2009 are 45. However 49 are expected to renew.  Karen Banfield has sent a list of 2008 members to state representatives to follow up with reminders</p>	Jo to provide updates	
7.	<p><b><u>Tasmanian representative on ACEA Committee</u></b></p> <p>Ron to contact Mike McLaughlin - email: <a href="mailto:Mike.McLaughlin@justice.tas.gov.au">Mike.McLaughlin@justice.tas.gov.au</a></p>	Ron to make contact	
8.	<p><b><u>Roles and responsibilities for State and Territory representatives.</u></b>  Buktha circulated this summary for discussion:</p>		\

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	<p><b>ROLE</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Act as a conduit for information about ACEA to all personnel involved in education and vocational education and training.</li> <li>2. Promote ACEA membership within corrective services and educational institutions in the state.</li> <li>3. Promote participation of individuals and organisations in the state at the Biennial conference.</li> </ol> <p><b>RESPONSIBILITIES</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Co-ordinate, promote and gather newsletter articles for ACEA on education, vocational education and training in correctional settings.</li> <li>2. Monitor state membership and advise members of renewals.</li> <li>3. Provide feedback to executive on any issues pertaining to the organisation.</li> <li>5. Convey the needs identified by state members to ACEA.</li> <li>4. Contact state universities and enquire about research being conducted relevant to correctional settings. Forward this information to the ACEA executive</li> </ol> <p>This summary was endorsed by all members.</p> <p>Ron will drafting a list of duties for executive positions</p>	<p>Ron to distribute for comment</p>	
<p>9.</p>	<p><b>News:</b>  Jenny Roberts has replaced Maddy Harford as Vic education manager and will be invited to join the committee</p> <p>Gerri reported that young men in SA JJ have made an award winning video which is available for purchase.</p>	<p>Ron to make contact</p>	

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10.	<p><b><u>Corrections Qld Report:</u></b></p> <p>Qld is in election mode.          Calvin Anderson is new DG of Qld Corrective Services.</p> <p><b><u>Corrections WA Report</u></b></p> <p>The new Liberal Govt has slashed 3% off all govt depts.          The prison population is now 4000.          Changes to the Commonwealth Indigenous Funding process means that the money now goes directly to States, and funds already dispensed have been re calculated resulting in a claim for repayment from WA DCS of \$320,000</p> <p><b><u>Corrections NSW Report</u></b></p> <p>Privatisation of two Correctional Centres is underway as a measure to reduce expenditure esp on overtime and increase efficiencies. This has led to industrial unrest.</p>		
11.	<p><b><u>Teleconference meeting dates for 2009:</u></b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Monday 18 May (at 3.00 pm EST)</b>  <b>Monday 17 August (at 3.00 pm EST)</b>  <b>Monday 16 November (at 3.00 pm EST)</b></p>		

Comment [JW1]: