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Dear member

RE POSTPONEMENT OF AGM

Please be advised that the **AMYAC AGM and native title holder meeting** scheduled on 24-26 November 2020 **is postponed** due to the full lockdown restrictions declared by the government on 18 November 2020 in response to active and emerging COVID-19 cases in South Australia. This includes a ban on all travel and public activities.

The situation is currently uncertain and rapidly changing. AMYAC remains committed to the health and safety of members during this time. AMYAC reminds members to stay at home and not travel during the lockdown. The AGM will be rescheduled when the situation stabilises and any risks to the health and safety of members are able to more readily managed.

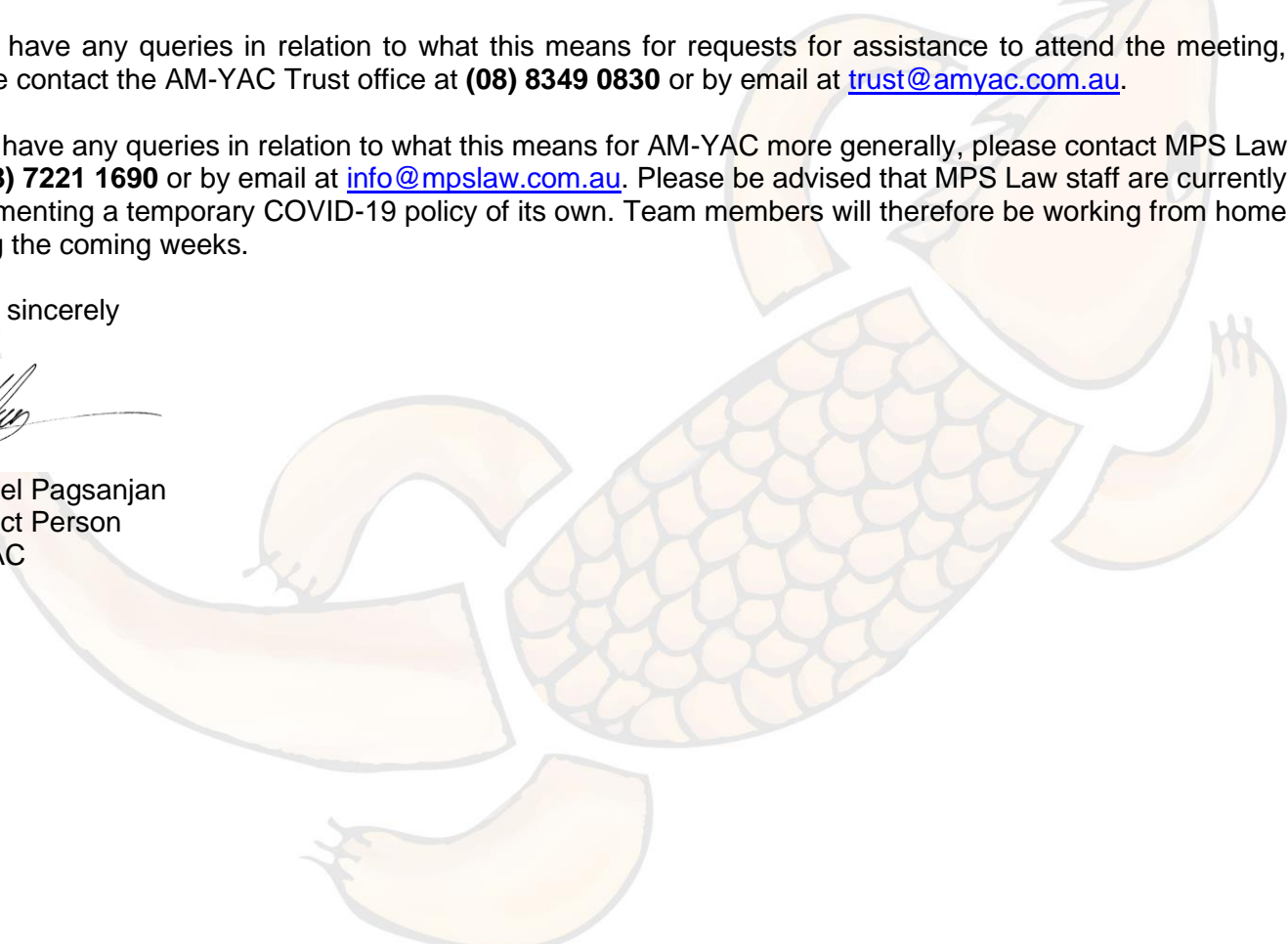
To keep members informed about AMYAC's operations, a copy of an AMYAC board report is **enclosed**. AMYAC's financial reports are also available to members upon request by email to info@mpslaw.com.au.

If you have any queries in relation to what this means for requests for assistance to attend the meeting, please contact the AM-YAC Trust office at **(08) 8349 0830** or by email at trust@amyac.com.au.

If you have any queries in relation to what this means for AM-YAC more generally, please contact MPS Law on **(08) 7221 1690** or by email at info@mpslaw.com.au. Please be advised that MPS Law staff are currently implementing a temporary COVID-19 policy of its own. Team members will therefore be working from home during the coming weeks.

Yours sincerely

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SUMMARY BOARD REPORT FOR 2020

PROVIDED ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD – 17 NOVEMBER 2020)

This report will talk about:

- 1) What we have done since the last AGM;
- 2) What we are doing now; and
- 3) What we are working on for the future.

What have we been doing since the last AGM?

Running meetings:

Since the last AGM, we have had lots of meetings. We have been working hard to improve our meetings by:

- Preparing good agendas
- Having board packs
- Using calendars and technology.

We had to work hard and be smart to continue AMYAC business during coronavirus. This meant we had meetings by phone and video when we were not allowed to meet in person. We worked hard to improve our ability to do AMYAC business by phone and video. Meetings by phone and video have also helped us to do some AMYAC business for less cost to AMYAC.

Talking in boards and committees

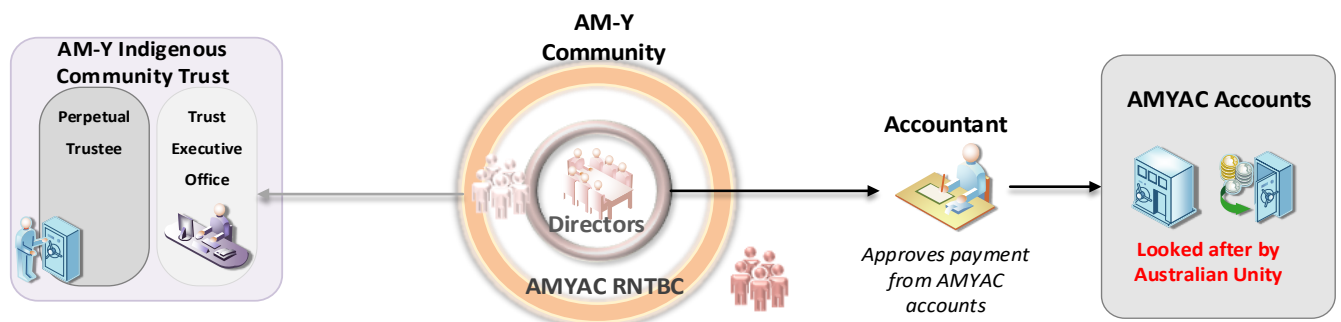
Some board members are members of other boards and committees. Committee is another name for a small group that focuses on something.

Watching over finances

The directors have a big job watching over money.

The directors don't look after the money in the big trust. That is done by the Trustee. That is Perpetual. This trust is for things like hardship payments.

The directors look after money that is held for AMYAC by a company called Australian Unity. We have two accounts. One is a corporate services account. That pays for things like meetings. The other one is called the heritage services account. This isn't new.



When we report, we also need to show how AMY Nominees is going. This is called a 'consolidated' statement. AMY Nominees have other corporations too, for business development.

A big part of our money story has been that we have had more money come into AMYAC. AMYAC has been getting more money in because.

- We have increased our administration fees when we do heritage surveys
- Mines like Prominent Hill have come back online, so we have been getting more money from old agreements.
- We have been getting more grants for projects, like from the Department of Defence, OZ Minerals and from the Trust through a funding agreement so we have enough money to run our corporation.

We have to provide our reports to ORIC. ORIC stands for 'Office of the Registrar of Indigenous Corporations'.

We had our money story audited by Richard Deane. Audit is another word for check. He checked all the money that came in and all of the money that went out. He said it was *palya*.

Monitoring mining

There are four big stories for mining, since the last AGM.

The first story is about **OZ Minerals**. We continue to work closely with OZ Minerals to find more ways we can benefit from Prominent Hill. We meet with OZ Minerals through *Tjunguringanyi* to talk about how AMYAC people can benefit from Prominent Hill. We are also looking at our mining agreement to make sure it is fair.

The second story is about **Peculiar Knob**, which is now back running by Peak Iron.

The third story is about a possible project with Peak Iron called the **Hawks Nest** mine. The mine is south of the Peculiar Knob mine, which Peak Iron is running right now.

The fourth story is about **CU River**. The mine has been put in 'care and maintenance'. That means the mine has stopped for a while.

Looking after heritage

We continue to look after *ngura* and do heritage surveys. There have been 3 heritage surveys since the last AGM. Some surveys have been put on hold because of the coronavirus. We also did a lot of monitoring to check areas and to make sure companies and organisations respected *ngura*.

Getting better

The board have been working really hard to get better too. This is both as a board and as a corporation.

As a board, we have been getting better by:

- Using laptops and phones to do AMYAC business when we cannot meet in person
- Setting a meeting calendar
- Making subcommittees to work on projects quicker and more effectively. Subcommittees are smaller board groups that report back to the board on projects, like the AMYAC vehicles
- Requesting more information and making sure AMYAC is properly watching over the other AMYAC companies

As a corporation, we have been getting better by:

- Talking with members about issues at the community meeting in August
- Getting advice on how AMYAC can change its structure to make sure more benefits are coming to members and things are communicated to members
- Using the strategic plan which was made by talking with AMYAC members about their priorities for AMYAC.

What are we doing now?

We have been working hard on projects that the community have told us are important. For example, we have been working on:

- Looking at possible offices for AMYAC in Coober Pedy
- Getting vehicles for AMYAC for culture and heritage activities.

AMYAC office

We have been looking around Coober Pedy for a good place to have the AMYAC office for a good price. The Trust is now looking at a building to do 'due diligence' before buying it. 'Due diligence' means they are looking at the building to make sure it is a good choice for an AMYAC office.

AMYAC vehicles

We have bought some AMYAC vehicles for culture and heritage activities. The vehicles are two Troopies for *watis* to use when doing culture business, and a bus for *kungkas* to use for culture and to help members travel around Coober Pedy. The vehicles will be stored at the Council, to make sure they are safe and protected.

There will be *wati* and *kungka* representatives who will tell the Council to borrow the vehicles out to members when they need them for culture and heritage activities.

What are we working on for the future?

We have lots of ideas for what we can do for members and the community for the future. This includes things like:

- Looking at our governance structure and seeing how we can improve. We have got an independent person who has given us options on how we can do this.
- Starting the new office in Coober Pedy.
- Improving the way decisions are made by the board, like new policies and procedures.
- Improving our relationship with the trust and AMY Nominees.
- Fixing our website.
- Making sure our logo is used properly.
- A mapping project for our sites.
- Using the strategic plan to achieve the community's goals. This will be talked about in the afternoon.

This will all take time to make sure things are done the right way.

Please contact our contact person if you have any questions.

On behalf of the AMYAC board, thank you.

David Brown

Chairperson