**Monthly Meeting**

**Mar 28th 2018**

**Present:** Phoenix, Allan, Rhiannon, Craig, Pandelis, Maddy, Ted

Meeting opened 6:40pm by Rhiannon

**Apologies:** Jaimie, Shayna

**AGM**

An upcoming AGM is needed, Rhiannon spoke that it’s difficult to get people around to come to meetings as well as be part of Hamilton Pride. In terms of AGM she’d like to have someone on the Executive Committee to be head of Events like Events Support to hopefully take a lead at planning future events & perhaps even trying to encourage others to come to meetings.

Also a Community Liaison would be a role to be filled, someone to talk to other groups such as WaQuY or UniQ to find out what they’re up to & come to HPI meetings to let us know the happenings with their groups. Rhiannon hopes that both these positions are “attractive” to people cause they should be the fun part of an Incorporated Society.

**Action Point For Rhiannon:** Write a Report for AGM

**Action Point For Michael:** Write a Financial Report of HPI Accounts

AGM needs to happen some time within April. Rhiannon suggested a Poll regarding the AGM such as time & place, peoples availability. Apr 6th could be a cut-off date to establish a Poll for AGM, this will allow a couple of weeks for Nominations & hopefully the AGM can take place end of Apr.

**Finances**

HPI account currently sits at $1282.06. Hamilton Pride covered the cost of the Van that went up to Auckland Pride Parade. Rhiannon put forward a motion to pay $144 for the Van that was used, no abstentions, everyone was in favour.

Link House also needs to be paid for the time & dates that HPI have used their space. An Invoice from Link House has come for $253. Motion put forward to pay this Invoice, no abstentions, everyone was in favour.

**Auckland Pride Parade**

Between 20 – 30 people from the Waikato attended. HPI was briefly mentioned on the News. The event was a little poorly organised. There wasn’t a lot of space between zones for getting ready for the Parade. Rhiannon was happy with the number of people who attended, she said she was disappointed about the Van situation. An idea for future is to pay for the Van before we get it to use. Also an idea for next year is to take a Van or Bus to Big Gay Out. Funding is always something to look at, if people want such a thing to take place then it’s a great opportunity. Hopefully funding could work out a little better in future for Events such as Big Gay Out or the Auckland Pride Parade.

**Pride Week 2018**

Rhiannon has been contacted by The Meteor who’ve said they’ll be happy to be the venue for this years Opening Party or some sort of Play. They’re free the first weekend of Sept. Rhiannon proposed the dates for this years Pride Week to be Sat 1st – Sun 9th Sept. Shayna is keen to do some sort of Queer Writers type of event. Ending HIV were a big help last year, they said this year if we’re all sorted in terms of funding for this year they’ll be happy to jump onboard. HPI missed the 10 year celebration last year so it should be celebrated this year for what’s been achieved for Hamilton Pride & what it would like in 10 years from now. This could tie in with the theme for this years Pride Week too. WaQuY are keen to jump onboard again this year with organising an event for Pride Week. Rhiannon put forward a motion for this years Pride Week to take place from Sat 1st – Sun 9th Sept, no abstentions, everyone was in favour.

**Next Pink Drinks Sat Apr 7th 6:30pm at The Cook**

**Queer Coffee Group**

The idea had been proposed for a Queer Coffee Group to take place every 2 months at a place called Coffee Culture in 5 Crossroads, this will take place Sun afternoons. Facebook event will be made for this, first one to take place Sun Apr 15th.

**Next Meeting Apr 18th 6:30pm due to the following Weds being ANZAC Day**