



Board Meeting (BM) in Brief held 31 January 2018 Key Discussion Items

Tony Ricciardi was nominated to retain the position of Chair to the BMRG Board and Vanessa Elwell-Gavins was nominated as Deputy Chair.

The Chair of BMRG congratulated Michael Moller on his election as Director to our Board as stated that Mike's expertise will be of great value to BMRG.

IT installation of new equipment and servers has been completed in Bundaberg, Wondai and Maryborough offices as well as installation of new phone system.

BMRG currently has 3 trainees and the program has been very rewarding for both parties. BMRG will benefit greatly by suitable trainees becoming dedicated and trained future employees and the Board fully support the program.

NLP2 funding submission closes 28 February and BMRG will be combining our submission with Fitzroy Basin Association (FBA) and Desert Channels Qld (DCQ) into a "cluster bid: to roll up under the umbrella of NRM Qld into a state bid.

BMRG currently has 159 financial members and the following new/renewed memberships were approved by the Board:

- Skye Douglass
- Fraser Coast Regional Council
- Heather Fricke
- Mark Mammino
- Peter McLennan
- David O'Donohoe
- Anthony Russo
- John Canino

The Chief Executive Officer received Board support and financial input for the \$3,000 BMRG – CQU scholarship to commence March 2018 with graduating CQU student possibly being employed with BMRG in 2019. All appropriate criteria will have to be met and there will be a probationary period. This will ensure that BMRG Board assists local outstanding CQU students who are given an opportunity to work within our very valued and diverse region.

Strategic workshop/networking opportunities with all Landcare groups in the region to be considered for the future.

Next meeting of the Board will be 28 March 2018

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