

The Glendale Trust
Meeting of the Board of Directors
Monday 6th June 2011 at Borrodale School

Present; Ian Blackford, Ann Blackford, Ian Whitehill, Ann Bowes, Stuart Bell and Brian Smith

Apologies; Ewan McLay and David Perry

1. Meeting opened at 7.00pm with welcome from Ian Blackford, chair.
2. Minutes of 12th May read and approved by the Board. Prop. Ann Blackford, 2nd Ian Whitehill
3. There were no matters arising from those minutes.
4. Secretary's Report. There were no new members this month so we still have 102 full members. Ian W reports that Ewan McLay has noticed that the last submission of our annual accounts and report has not yet appeared on the OSCR website. OSCR have been told and it appears that they have 'misplaced' them and they are investigating the matter. There is an acknowledgement of there safe arrival with OSCR.
5. Treasurers Report. Our finances remain the same at just over £1000. We have liabilities due to Ann Blackford and Stuart Bell. Both of these directors agreed to defer these sums due until the Trust secures a better financial position. HIE are still due the Trust monies in relation to the previously aborted CDO position. The claim has been submitted, along with supporting documentation, for some £13,200 that will cover salaries and expenses of the past CDO. There was an agreement that the funding should be in advance to cover the current shortfall in funds the Trust find themselves in. Stuart believes that the payments are due soon and the situation will return to the previous good standing.
6. Nomination Committee Report. Ian W reports that Elgar Finlay will be put forward as the preferred candidate as CDO. The HIE representative has been contacted and agrees with that choice. A message has been left for Elgar to that effect. Stuart Bell stated that he will need Elgars' financial information asap to set up the required payment structures. The Board unanimously agreed to give the post to Elgar and a letter to that effect will be sent by Ian W asap. It is expected that Elgar will be in post by Monday 13th June.

7. Midsummer Event. The poster has been done by Ann Bowes and has been circulated. It should be distributed as needed by the individual Directors including in Dunvegan and surrounds. Stuart Bell and Stuart Edinburgh have agreed to build the bonfire though the wet weather has left a lot of the scrap wood etc wet through. Help will be needed to shift the loads down to the pier and Stuart Bell will email those helping with details nearer the day. Music will again be provided by the excellent Craig and Elly together with Mick's new band, name unknown yet. Jan Perry will again provide the BBQ but needs rough numbers (c75 last year). Stuart to liaise with Jan over the supply of good quality burgers for her to cook. Ann BI will do the raffle and will require prize donations asap. An email has been received from the Glendale estate allowing the Pier Store to be used for this and the winter event.
8. Homecoming Weekend. The Press release has been released. There was no coverage in the WHFP or Oban Times. They have been contacted by the Chair and the Oban Times will cover the event. There has been no reply from the WHFP. There are quotes from local and National dignitaries for the event received by the Chair and these will be released nearer the event in time. The Friday ceilidh will be hosted by Alan Campbell again and will be charged at £3 a head. There are 8 different musicians and singers lined up. Food will be tatties and mince or mackerel. There will be a fishing competition on the Friday between 3 and 5pm.
9. Heritage Centre And Café. This will open on the 27th June at Borrodale School. Ann is organising the genealogy of the main families in the area and this will be displayed in the café area to encourage those with local connections to offer up more information. The Trust have a full copy of the 1881 census which will be available to view by all for free but pages will be charged at £1 per page for prints of this info. The question of where we run a café this year was discussed and it was agreed that we would run a slimmed down version of last years' event. Trading could be difficult as there are now two other cafes in the Glen. It was agreed that no café meant no income for the exhibition. Comma nan Gael have agreed to part finance a Gaelic student for the summer to assist with the exhibition and to teach basic Gaelic. It was agreed that there would be one employee and volunteers to assist where needed/ Opening hours would be 11 to 4pm Monday to Saturday. A war exhibition has been offered to the trust and this can be placed in the portacabin as an additional draw.
10. Public Transport Provision. It is still very difficult for those with no car to get out of Glendale. The organisation of the free bus

service has been thrown into disarray as the only volunteer driver available is too old to do it according to those in charge.

11. Projects. Meanish Pier Development continues to make slow progress and a meeting is needed between all parties as a matter of urgency to include the Moorings Assoc, local fishermen the council and the trust.
12. AOCB The past system with regard to telephone bills will need to be resolved. The Trust are being billed for three lines. Stuart Bell is trying to negotiate with BT to resolve this issue and clarify the past bill for over £1000 a quarter. The rental of the office space has now been terminated as Elgar will work from home. Ann Blackford met with CADISPA. The meeting was extremely productive and the group are very keen to help. Ann briefly ran through the projects we are planning and they can help in several areas. It appeared that CADISPA had not been contacted at all by the previous CDO. CADISPA can assist with funding themselves or point out other sources and assist with the forms. Overall they are very enthusiastic and keen to help out. Ian Blackford states that he attended a meeting to launch a NW Skye sports facility for this area. The plan involves two sports pitches, changing facilities, clubhouse and running track. This is being organised by the Struan and Dunvegan Community Trusts and they would be grateful for a letter of support from the Glendale Trust to help them out. This was agreed.

There was no further business and the meeting was closed at 8.55 pm. The next meeting will take place on Thursday 7th July at 7pm at Borrodale School.