ABACUS MEETING MINUTES

Monday 29/07/19

Meeting opened: 11:11am (make a wish 😉 )

1. Bush week

* Not many signups
* B. Schmidt signed up – invite him to MAG

1. Events

* **BBQ:**  
  - End of week 3 (next week), if all else fails will do end of week 4   
  - Fellows oval   
  - Start at 4:30pm after CAR seminar   
  - Get Mattieu to make announcement in CAR seminar  
  - Talk to SoAA about backup location to cook if it rains   
  - Skip morning tea that week to maintain hype  
  - **ACTION**: organise Costco trip (Zac and someone else), fill out functions on campus form (Joel), advertise (Iona: make poster on Canva, Bella: make fb event)

1. Project Forum

* Still need to submit funding (closes Wed) but we still have enough for on more forum
* Get list of speakers
* Advertise

1. MAG

* Meeting last Friday
* Matt will ask at CAP, is now helping (ran a similar event in Montreal)
* Joel to post minutes from meeting in Facebook group
* Start advertising: make initial attention post today
* Venues sorted
* Advertise at week 3 BBQ as well
* Still need to find hosts
* Still working on logistics

1. T-Shirts

* Also: holsters and bomber jackets but probably shirts first
* Find out minimum order
* Process: Expression of interest to company, propose a price to them, collect interest and establish prices beforehand
* Spreadsheet with interest/sizing
* Possibility depending on pricing: members price vs. non-member price
* Merchandise grant, ANUSA training Wednesday 6pm: Joel will go and report back

1. End-of-Year Event

* Venue possibilities: Treehouse, Highball, somewhere nice
* Treehouse puts booze on food tab so ANUSA could probably pay
* Timing: End of week 12? Make a poll on group giving a few opportunities for days
* **ACTION:** Aleese to chase up Treehouse, everyone brainstorm cool names for the event

1. Movie Night with Bio Soc

* They will organise everything, we just show up and bring snacks

1. ABACUS-only Movie Night

* Everyone try and think of good movies, maybe French movies with dinosaurs AND archaeologists, Cave of Forgotten Dreams
* Sometime in week 5?

1. NASC

* Joel to message PARSA about grant money for attendance
* If grant successful get group of students together and organise ANU participation

1. Action against Spriggs/Pacific Archaeology

* Problematic person tbh
* Brainstorming day to think of a way to take collective action
* ABACUS: Equality/’standing up for your rights’ in academia group or workshop. Establish a clear line of action and let people know how to follow it if something happens
* Discussion group on academic culture
* **ACTION:** Iona talk to Sofia, Aleese talk to Tim, Bella talk to Cate, Andrea talk to Thesis Whisperer – establish workshop/action

1. Conference with Anthropologists at end of year

* Side note: contact person who organises Anth conferences
* Advertising for cultural anthropology: happy to advertise for them but would be nicer if they’d show up for a meeting :))))))
* Try and connect/branch out a bit better

Meeting Closed: 12:01pm

Next Meeting: TBA

Summary of Action Items

* **ACTION for BBQ**: organise Costco trip (Zac and someone else), fill out functions on campus form (Joel), advertise (Iona: make poster on Canva, Bella: make fb event)
* **ACTION for End of Year Event:** Aleese to chase up Treehouse, everyone brainstorm cool names for the event
* **ACTION for Equality:** Iona talk to Sofia, Aleese talk to Tim, Bella talk to Cate, Andrea talk to Thesis Whisperer – establish workshop/action