



**PalliativeCare**  
AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY

# ACT BOARD OUTCOMES

from meeting of 22 October 2018

## FROM THE PRESIDENT

The highlight for the month has to be our 4th Annual Fundraising Dinner which was highly successful. We had a sell-out crowd of 520 people, 11 live auction prizes, 120 silent auction prizes, 200 butterfly bags, just over 200 bottles of wine in the blind wine sale, a champagne bar and lots of fun!!! I am delighted to tell you that we raised over \$100,000 on the night which is an outstanding effort given that a short four years ago, at our first dinner, we made \$30,000.

I would like to place on record my thanks to the marvellous team of workers who pulled the event together – these included my fellow Board Members, the staff of Palliative Care, a number of our wonderful volunteers as well as co-opting family and friends. Pulling together an event of this scale takes months of planning and it is heartening to see such a fantastic result.

We have completed an evaluation of the dinner ie what worked well and what could be improved and already we are planning for next year's event.

## THE HUB 2020

I was very pleased to launch The Hub at the dinner. The Hub will provide a non-clinical home environment offering overnight and day respite for the patient and their carer. It is envisaged that there will be six to eight suites, around a central communal area. All suites will have an ensuite, a separate sleeping area for the carer (if required), and access to a private courtyard where pets can visit if requested. It is intended to be a domestic scale building with a central kitchen, dining and lounge with access to outdoor gardens. The communal areas will be the heart of the building for socialisation, activities and entertainment.

An Advisory Committee for The Hub has been formed and held its first meeting on 7 October. Its role is to provide strategic leadership in the development of The Hub, monitor identified and emerging risks and advise on their prevention and management, as well as monitoring the budget and expenditure.

Meetings have already taken place with Government and we have formed a number of strategic partnerships to support PC ACT in the development and ongoing operation of The Hub.

At the dinner we kicked off the sale of "bricks" - \$50 for a small brick and \$1,000 for a gold brick. Lend Lease has already purchased three of the gold bricks and Hammond Care has secured a gold brick to show their support. Morgans Financial Services, an organisation that has been



## **FINANCE REPORT**

working with PACT for a number of years, has committed to building the first wall of The Hub contributing \$100,000 over the next three years. If anyone would like to purchase a brick, please visit <https://www.pallcareact.org.au/the-hub/>

## **ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

The Treasurer submitted the financial report for the period 1 July – 30 September 2018 and I am pleased to tell you that we are continuing to operate from a sound financial base. The auditors have recently completed the audit of PC ACT's books for the 2017-2018 financial year and no significant issues were raised.

The AGM has been scheduled for 6.00 pm on Thursday 15 November 2018 at the Tom Elvin Centre. All financial members are encouraged to attend. A report on performance for the year will be delivered by the President and the accounts for the last financial year will be submitted for approval.

## **CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION**

As the year draws to a close it is time to pause, reflect and share some social time with colleagues. The Board and Staff of Palliative Care invite all volunteers to Christmas celebrations from 5.00-7.00 pm on Wednesday 5 December at the Tom Elvin Centre. A separate invitation will be issued shortly but, in the meantime, please pop the date in your diary.

## **NEXT MEETING OF THE BOARD**

The next meeting of the Palliative Care ACT Board will be held at 6.00 pm on Monday 26 November 2018.



Louise Mayo  
President