



PalliativeCare
AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY

ACT BOARD OUTCOMES

from meeting of 2 May 2022

FROM THE PRESIDENT

With Easter and Anzac Day long weekends in April our meeting was deferred until 2 May.

This month's meeting was focussed on preparing for the change in this financial year and getting ready for our long awaited major fundraising event - our Black and White Dinner.

ACT GOVERNMENT COMMISSIONING

As the ACT Government moves funding of non-government organisations across from traditional funding methods to a [commissioning approach](#), Palliative Care ACT is looking at the opportunities this will bring. Over recent years, while maintaining its valuable volunteering service arm, the organisation has also been focussed on education, advocacy and research. Not to mention innovation with the commencement of [Leo's Place](#).

The Board and CEO are working closely with the Health Directorate to move across to the commissioning model, which will focus more on outcomes rather than outputs. It is an exciting time for our organisation and the timing works well with the proof of concept of Leo's Place. A report on the first full year of operations of Leo's Place, prepared in partnership with the University of NSW, has been submitted to the Minister for Health and I have a meeting with Minister Stephen-Smith this month to discuss the outcomes.

VOLUNTEERING

The General Manager of volunteering presented her quarterly report to our meeting this month and provided valuable statistical information on the program. Services are now back in full at Clare Holland House after reductions due to COVID-19 and all health directions are being followed to ensure the safety of our clients and volunteers.

We have also been able to recommence training new volunteers and are pleased to be engaging with Rotary to train a small number of members to trial an innovative project in our home-based program.

To recognise their efforts, a volunteer appreciation event will be held between 6.00 – 8.00pm on Tuesday 17 May at the Kamberra winery. Members of the Board will attend to thank our volunteers in person.

FINANCE REPORT

The Treasurer presented his report for the first quarter of 2022. The organisation continues to be in a sound financial position, and we are very grateful to note that community donations were up this month on our expectations.

● MOVIE NIGHT

[Tickets](#) for the premiere of Top Gun: Maverick at Palace Cinema on Thursday 26 May are nearly sold out. For \$35 you will not only get to see the movie on opening night, but you'll also get a glass of bubbles, a choc top and popcorn! So, get in quickly if you'd like to come and thank you to all our supporters who have booked already.

● FUNDRAISING DINNER

After a few changes of date, we have sold out all 55 tables at our long awaited Black and White fundraising dinner and are expecting 550 people to attend for a fun-filled night. This is the largest dinner yet and for the first time is being held at the QT on London Circuit in the city. We have some wonderful live and silent auction items but could always use a few more. If you are a local business who would like to demonstrate your wares to 550 people in one night, or know someone who might be interested in donating suitable items for our auctions, please contact the office on 6255 5771.

● NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of the Board of Palliative Care ACT will be held at 6.00 pm on Monday 23 May. This is one week earlier than normal owing to Board commitments.

Dr. Louise Mayo AM
President

