

ACT BOARD OUTCOMES

from meeting of 23 May 2022

FROM THE PRESIDENT

LEO'S PLACE

I recently met with the Minister Stephens-Smith to discuss the outcomes of the report prepared in partnership with the University of New South Wales on the first full year's operations of Leo's Place. The Minister was very supportive of Palliative Care and was delighted to hear that our occupancy rate at Leo's is climbing, with an 80% occupancy rate in April. Feedback on Leo's is very positive both from people with a life-limiting illness and from carers.

NATIONAL PALLIATIVE CARE WEEK

As part of NPCW, an article on Leo's Place has appeared in the online magazine Her Canberra and is well worth reading. Leo's Place, a home of comfort and respite at life's end | HerCanberra | Also during the week, we will be launching the fourth in our series of toolkits. Entitled LGBTQIA+ Inclusive, this toolkit is designed for carers working with people from the LGBTQIA+ communities who have a life limiting illness.

BUDGET FOR 2022-2023

A preliminary budget for 2022-2023 has been developed with a view to ensuring we are able to deliver on the various outcomes in our new agreement with government. While the budget is still a work in progress, we are confident that we can tailor our organisational design to meet the outcomes expected of us.

FUNDRAISING DINNER

A big focus for the next four weeks is the preparatory work for the long-awaited Black and White Fundraising Dinner. All the tables are sold, all the Butterfly Bags are ready, we anticipate around 10-12 live auction items and around well over a hundred silent auction items. We can always use more so if you are a business who might like to showcase your wares, please contact the office on 6255 5771. Our auctioneer is lined up, music is in place, and the champagne bar will be bubbling with enthusiasm to take your orders. After a two-year absence, this promises to be a truly memorable event.

NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of the Board of Palliative Care ACT will be held at 6.00 pm on Monday 20 June 2022.

Dr. Louise Mayo AM President