

**ROYAL ASSOCIATION OF JUSTICES**  
**SOUTH WEST BRANCH**  
Committee Meeting  
**Minutes**

12/2/2010

**Members Present:-** SC, GE, DS, JM, DR, TS, PN, CM, AC, RP, VE.

Apologies. KC, PF.

**Minutes of Previous meeting** Moved... GE...Seconded.... DR...

Business Arising:- PN apology for Dec Meeting. Letter still to be written to Attorney re Accredited Justices. Indicated that a letter was still to be written to thank the provider of glass partition in Bunbury Signing Rooms. (Secretary has checked and letter was written and sent 24/10/09)

**Correspondence :-**

- From RAJWA asking for update on Signing Centre information
- Margaret River JP Court Roster
- RAJWA meeting dates schedule
- Email from Ross Croft re Mag Fisher's idea (given at a BSN meeting) that individual JP stats should be collected by the SWB before being forwarded to Perth.
- December, Busselton Committee Minutes
- JP Branch DotAG looking for the whereabouts of Andy Nebro
- Email from Terry Donaldson re confusion with Certified Copies
- October SWB Committee minutes to all committee members
- December SWB Minutes to all committee members
- Busselton Signing Centre Roster to Mar 2010
- Busselton JP Court Roster
- Harvey Court Roster
- List of all Justices in Bunbury region to K Coote
- Presidents column for Jan Journal
- Busselton Signing Centre Stats to Oct to December 09
- Emails to and fro re Busselton Seminar
- Email from Matt Granger re SMAT and much correspondence pertaining
- List of committee meeting dates to all committee members
- Information from RAJWA re the fact that Aust Post are now charging to provide a signing service
- Minutes of RAJWA Pres and Delegates meeting 19/1/2010
- Suggestion for a Guest Speaker. Subject Emergency Management and Community Resilience. Contact Peta Nolan, City of Bunbury.
- AC detailed a possible new JP applicant.
- Police requested an updated list of active J's P. Secretary provided the list.
- Leanne Maher (John Castrilli's office) advised his availability to speak on "Choose Respect at the Busselton Seminar
- Emails to and fro with JP Branch DotAG re appointment dates of SW Justices
- Correspondence with regard to Busselton Seminar and January newssheet
- Request to renew our website domain \$66 for 2 years. Was donated last time by Ciphertel

Moved... RP.....Seconded... JM..

Business Arising:- A) RAJWA to be asked about providing us with SW JP stats. KH to be asked about notification of newly appointed JPs and relocating JPs to be notified to Branch. – follow up from last meeting.

B) It appears that our system of Copy Certification is within the guidelines. C) Write a letter to the RAJWA to air our concern as to the fact that Australia Post and others are charging to witness and certify documents.  
DC/RP carried

**Magistrate's Report :-** Magistrate Vivien Edwards attended the meeting during the lunch recess of the arrest and remand court. She indicated that she had a very big list today but that the immediate post Christmas period had been quiet. It was picking up again although things continued to be quiet in the Busselton Court. She agreed that there needed to be some minor updates to the JP authorised Acts list that she had prepared some time ago and would get to them soon so the website could be updated and Justices amend their own copies. She said she was scheduled to be away on leave at the time of the Busselton Seminar and that it would be run by Magistrate's Fisher and Pontifex. She also agreed that it would not have been wise for the branch to write in support of SMAT without canvassing the membership and gaining majority support but that there was nothing wrong with individual members supporting the application. (Alison indicated that that was not now an option as the closing date for submissions had passed) Magistrate Edwards then left the meeting to resume court duties

**Treasurers Report :-** Received.....Moved. DR... Seconded... PN.

Business Arising :- Cheque for \$30 to K Coote for new JP Rooms Diary. Secretary has cash to bank from signing rooms piggybank. (from photocopying charges)

**Justice Centre Report :-** Report tabled..Moved.. RP.. Seconded.. DS. Stats submitted for recent period.  
Business Arising :- RP/JM/carried approve quote to frame laminated sheets.

**Busselton Report :-** A) Mr Hossen is a JP in Busselton, do we have his details? (followed up on 12 Feb 2010, Mr Hossen now on the list and in the family) B) Link/Key still have problems with listings, what do we do about it?. Report accepted DR/SC carried

**Collie Report :-** All going well. Stats for Jan provided. Rosters all fully subscribed. Report accepted TS GE carried

### **General Business**

RP Why use J'sP to witness drug burns. Has Magistrate Fisher any views on the matter. Thought that all that was needed was for a Senior Police Officer to be present.

DR Suggested we need signing centre specific training for all signing centres to ensure that there is consistency across all Justices and offices. KC is in the process of organising a training day for Bunbury.

DS G Wilkes is still the Secretary of the Collie sub-committee while Dave Saunders will present the Collie report at the branch meetings. Suggested that David Maxwell SJA Paramedic is a possible guest speaker

AC Will be away for the April meeting. KC or DS to chair the meeting. Suggest to the magistrates that information about the new EPG and AHD be included in the February seminar.

April meeting 1.30pm, Bunbury Court. Friday 9/04/2010.