

Minutes Sydney Branch ASSLH Executive 23 September 2010

Meeting opened at 6pm at the Town Hall Hotel Newtown.

Present: Sarah Gregson, Sue Tracey, Nick Dyrenfurth, Danny Blackman.

Apologies: Damien Stapleton (sick) and John Dean

Report of History Week Function:

Faces on the Street: Faces of Radical Sydney

Thursday 9 September 6-7pm Trades Hall, 377 Sussex St, Sydney. Sydney Branch life member Terry Irving with Sydney Branch member Rowan Cahill talked about their recently published book. The Sydney Trade Union Choir, which Sydney Branch executive members Danny Blackman and Sarah Gregson belong to, sang. About 50 people were in attendance. There was some glitch with the room arrangement – it was to have been in the atrium and it was moved to the training room at the last minute. Also the Branch didn't bring books and banners, which was a missed opportunity. However, an attendance of 50 is very pleasing. Terry has advised that the print run has almost sold out.

Archives

Sue Tracey boxed and listed the archives of the Sydney Branch from the mid 1965 -2005 correspondence; 1983-2001 minutes. (full listing appended to these minutes) Matter of archives to be raised with the Fed Exec. If there is to be a national policy that ASSLH records be lodged with Noel Butlin then Sydney Branch will comply. If not we will lodge them with the Mitchell Library.

Hummer

Articles to include:

Kristina Keneally's Eulogy for Jeff Shaw,

Jeff Shaw and Equal Pay (perhaps) with excerpt from Anne Junor's talk.

Harry Knowle's talk in March 2010 on Fallon v Dougherty in the AWU

Book Review of Radical Sydney by Irving & Cahill

John Faulkner's speech to the Fisher Conference.

Next Function:

Joint meeting with ALP Central Policy Branch on 25 October 2010 in Unions NSW. Lucy Taksa and Michael Hogan will speak. Title of topics to be finalised. Sue Tracey to liaise with head office. Nick to contact speakers as to their topics.

Treasurer's Report

Balance \$4273.18

Meeting closed at 6.40pm.