



Title: Date: Time: Location: Chair: Attendees: Proxies for Tony: Proxies for Lou: Proxies for Chris:	BOS Australia AGM Thursday, 20 October 2011 7.00pm EST LHB Mann Judd , Level 19, 207 Kent Street, Sydney City NSW 2000 Tony Gilding Tony Gilding Jade Harley Deborah Mohr Mariana Von Lucken Louise Grossfeldt Christine Thornton Emma Dunphy Cathy Heawood Carl Silfversward Cathy Silfversward Elaine Small William S Rooney Nita Harvey Geoff Lengel Janelle Tuero
Item	Topic
	Meeting was declared open at 7.00pm Tony thanked everyone for attending the meeting.
1	Confirmation of minutes from the 2010 Annual general meeting <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A copy of the 2010 minutes were made available on the website. Moved: Christine Thornton Seconded: Emma Dunphy
2	Receive the 2011 BOS Australia Financial report Deborah presented the financial report for 2010-11, which came back from the auditors as unqualified. Last year's income was \$720,000 compared with \$190,000 for the previous year. Much of this was attributed to the donation from John Cochrane. Aside from donations, our main income stream is from the adoption program, which are small amounts, but ongoing. Our administration costs are very low due to our volunteer base, which is much appreciated. Some of the money sent to Indonesia are for specific projects, and other money is for general expenses of running several large rehabilitation centres, which have costs to cover, vets, keepers, food, general supplies etc. Of note from last year's financial records is the spike in income directly relating to the public relations around the visit from the Chairman and CEO of BOSF. With regards to our assets, due to our basic structure, our main asset is the cash held in the bank, which has decreased slightly compared to last year.



	<p>Moved to accept financial report: Deborah Mohr Seconded: Mariana Von Lucken</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A proposal was presented to change auditors for future audits. Moved: Tony Gilding Seconded Deborah Mohr <p>This item will be moved to the regular BOSA committee meeting for discussion and action before the next AGM.</p>
<p>3</p>	<p>Confirmation of the BOS Australia committee</p> <p>The committee was elected as follows without objection:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • President – Tony Gilding • Vice President: Louise Grossfeldt • Treasurer: Deborah Mohr • Secretary: Christine Thornton • Ordinary committee member: Jade Harley • Ordinary committee member: Mariana Von Lucken <p>Moved: Tony Gilding Seconded: Deborah Mohr</p>
<p>4</p>	<p>Review of the year from the President and business plan for next year</p> <p>Tony provided an overview of our achievements over the last year.</p> <p>We raised over \$720,000 in the year ending 30 June 2011. Of this, \$615,530 was sent to BOS Foundation Indonesia to support various projects, including preparation costs for the release of orangutans into the wild.</p> <p>Major donor, John Cochrane donated \$430,000 for the purchase of land in East Kalimantan for releases and also to house unreleasable orangutans on islands in Central Kalimantan.</p> <p>As in previous years we relied on the generosity of our donors to assist in the welfare of the orangutans of Borneo. Our adoption program and donations were the largest source of funding, but we also raised awareness and further funds at a few major events during the year including a lecture visit from BOS Indonesia Chairman and CEO.</p> <p>From our affiliation with Planet Ark's Aware palm oil-free products we gratefully received a donation of just over \$20,000.</p> <p>The Orang-U-Friends school program encourages school children of any age to learn more about the plight of orangutans in the wild.</p> <p>It engages youngsters by explaining the unique qualities that make orangutans special and talks about the work that BOS Australia and BOS Foundation (BOSF) does to help save orangutans, giving easy and achievable suggestions on how to get involved to raise awareness and money.</p> <p>The money raised by schools gives them the opportunity to adopt one of our orangutans and receive information and updates on their chosen animal. It allows children to feel like that are a part of the program, and they know how the money they have raised is helping Orangutans in</p>



Indonesia. Over 20 orangutans were adopted during the last four months of this financial year. It's this positive energy and enthusiasm of the next generation that is the key to saving this endangered species.

Lou Grossfeldt visited Borneo in July 2011 and through negotiations with BOSF and the Taronga Conservation Society Australia, it is hoped to develop a Keeper work experience program. The concept is for orangutan keepers from Samboja Lestarii to travel to Sydney to work alongside Lou and other key staff at Sydney's Taronga Zoo, helping to develop key enrichment and management strategies. The program will commence in 2012 with more trips to follow if deemed successful. Lou's visit to Samboja Lestarii was greeted with much praise from BOSF. They appreciated the assistance with orangutan behaviour enrichment programs.

\$13,500 was raised through a number of small volunteer run events and raffles.

\$19,000 was raised at a fund raising lunch run by the very generous and committed Joan Pearson.

A Canberra volunteer chapter started off with a bang late last year by engaging Professor Colin Groves in not just their wine and cheese evening, but also in some school visits. Professor Groves is a world renowned Primatologist and we are delighted that he invested some time in the education of our future decision makers.

In addition to help from us, BOSF also received significant support from BHP and the Australian government via AusAID for their MAWAS program. BHP donated the use of helicopters in East Kalimantan for relocations, along with providing steel for the quarantine cages in Nyaru Menteng.

Through their **Kalimantan** Forests and **Climate Partnership** (KFCP), AusAID have engaged BOSF with community development and orangutan protection programs. This was a valuable project allowing BOSF to continue their excellent work protecting the Mawas area, which has a large population of orangutans living in the wild.

In February 2011 a team visited Nyaru Menteng to scope a new waste management system for this area where over 600 orangutans are awaiting release. The concept design was completed and with the help of Dr Keith Bolton from Ecoteam and Nik Hyde, the new waste system is now operational.

Focus areas for next year

Tony outlined our main projects for the coming year:

- New adoption babies – will be launched in November 2011
- Two snail mail campaigns per year in July and December
- Virtual gifts for delivery via the web – being finalised and will launch as soon as we can before Christmas
- Sewerage program – implemented and ongoing
- Keeper exchange program – commenced in July this year and ongoing
- Events – a couple of major events during the year, including Mind Body Spirit festival that is booked in for May 2012. Other events to be determined
- Facebook – Implemented and operating with an ongoing campaign to gain more 'friends'



	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Compliance review – being conducted by the committee • Communications and events timetable – implemented and ongoing.
5	<p>Keeper exchange program</p> <p>Lou Grossfeldt explained that the main aims of the Keeper exchange program is getting the skills of orangutan animal husbandry into the rehabilitation centres in Indonesia.</p> <p>When she was there earlier this year, her main goals were nutrition, behaviour and enrichment programs for the animals.</p> <p>It is expected that the exchange of two keepers coming to work in Taronga Zoo for two weeks will occur December 2011 or January 2012, depending on when the zoo can accommodate the project. These keepers will then take their new skills back to Indonesia and train other keepers and babysitters.</p>
6	<p>Thank you to our volunteers</p> <p>Tony acknowledged and thanked the many efforts of our hard working volunteers, including: Aaron Laws, Susan Dalby, Cathy Heawood, Jennifer Gillespie, Alison Buchtman and Rebecca King.</p>
7	<p>General business</p> <p>Guests, Carl and Cathy Silfversward advised they were concerned with an orangutan kept in a private zoo in Phuket in Thailand and wanted to know if there was any way to arrange for the animal to be taken back to Borneo.</p> <p>They were advised that even though all native born orangutans are the property of either Indonesia or Malaysia it would be very difficult to confiscate an animal that may have been born in captivity in Thailand. BOSF currently have very full rehabilitation centres, and if it were possible to relocate the orangutan it would be very costly.</p> <p>The Silfverswards will make some enquiries when they visit Thailand in a couple of weeks and report back.</p>
	<p>The meeting was declared closed at 8.00pm</p>

Signed:

Name: Tony Gilding

Dated: 1 November 2011