

## Beananging Kwuurt Institute

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### I. INTRODUCTION

A real highlight is and will be the increase in networking with key stakeholders as we plan early into 2018 and seek to expand our limited budget of \$100K. We still are holding to a “five-year window” opportunity as seen in the attached “BKI vision grid” and 2017-2018 BKI Action Plan.

### 2. HIGHLIGHTS:

#### 2.1 Security and Language Research:

(i) While Keith was away on leave in USA, there were two break-ins. The sit-on mower was stolen with its bucket trailer. These unexpected costs are disappointing but we are seeking insurance cover.

(ii) Language research (over 18 months) on the Nyungar and Nadju languages is being planned as we seek funding from UCAWA sources.

#### 2.2 Routines and rain:

(i) Makaru (June –July) and Djilba (August-September) seasons is bringing much needed rains. So more mowing of the grounds is needed. The services provided by the voluntary Department of Community Services Staff and clients on community service orders continues to be a great support.

(ii) Our two staff have continued the usual Women’s business (Tuesdays

10:30am-2:30pm) and food relief (Thursdays 1:00-2:30pm) activities.

#### 2.3 BKI Vision: BKI held its Vision Workshop in early May which was facilitated by Indigenous Communities Volunteers (ICV). We were joined by key National Congress Members. We discussed

(i) BKI vision (e.g. BKI = business, knowledge and now inspiration),

(ii) strategies

(iii) specific Project Plans

(iv) involve key stakeholders & entrepreneurs e.g. Uniting Church representatives and community support groups

(v) funding sources and

(vi) clear governance principles.

A clear, joint Vision statement is yet to be finalised.

#### 2.4 Networking: We are expanding our engagement with other community-based organisations besides our relationship with Unitingcare West. These include Wanslea (especially their foster aftercare practices), Peedac (Perth Employment and Education Development Aboriginal Corporation), Koorda (Autism support for Indigenous community); Carey Training (Cert 2 & 3 in Civil Construction) and IOTDC (Internet of Things Data Centres).

- 2.5 We are seeing our strongest asset is BKI land so that organisations and businesses could cheaply rent building and service space, on the proviso some infrastructure is exchanged e.g. new fences, buildings, landscaping and gardening, repairs and maintenance.

Two leases: BKI has now entered into two separate Agreements to lease office space with Mulga Mail and (akin to national Koorie Mail newspaper) and Beyond Community and Health (a mobile health clinic with doctor and nursing services). The former is for two days a month and in the Administrative building at \$20 per hour. The latter is one day a month on a 3 month trial basis in the Community Services Centre at \$40 per hour.

- 2.6 Five year window: BKI has a budget limit of \$100K and works closely with the Synod CFO to ensure that it operates within limits. We still see there is an opportunistic five year window to turn around the direction of and services which BKI will offer in coming years.

### 3. CONCLUSION

The staff are expanding their routine. Property upkeep and programs are a focal point. Grant submission-writing will be a priority in next 2-3 months. These are linked to the outcome of the Vision Workshop held in May. Networking is continuing with Unitingcare West and other local communities and organisations. The indigenous community believes that BKI has a lot to offer. The attached BKI Vision Grid will stimulate our thoughts for the future.

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<b>BKI Vision Grid</b>			
	<b>B = Business (Entrepreneurship)</b>	<b>K = Knowledge (Indigenous)</b>	<b>I = Inspiration (Education/Training)</b>
<b>B = Beananging</b> i.e. Beginning, New day	Starting a business: e.g. health, family, aged, sport, money, housing	Research, community development	literacy, numeracy, jobs, employment, homework classes + self-esteem, motivation, reconciliation strategies
<b>K = Kwuurt</b> i.e. Heart,	Keep a business going: e.g. funding grants, mentoring, self- supporting	language, songs, stories, music, Christianity thru spirit of <b>RECONCILIATION</b>	Support services
<b>I = Institute</b> i.e. Training	3-6 weeks business studies course	3-6 months research	Certificate I, II, III, IV

**Explanation:**

- (i) Shaded centre square is the inspirational heart of BKI's activities.
- (ii) BKI focus guided by Business, Knowledge and Inspiration streams. All streams start with a beginning (= Beananging); next is based on a heart (= Kwuurt) and finish with training qualifications (= Institute).
- (iii) Horizontal Business, Knowledge and Inspiration streams show their comparative beginning (Beananging); heart (=Kwuurt) and training qualifications (=Institute).

<b>2017-2018 BKI Action Plan (August–December 2017-January- February 2018)</b>		
<b>Dates/Months</b>	<b>Preparation</b>	<b>Activity &amp; Outcome</b>
August 2017	Programmes & stakeholders working together	Engage stakeholders e.g. Synod, UAICCA, DCD, Yorgum, Peedac, LotteryWest, UCW, IOTDC, Koorda, Beyond Community and Health, and Carey Training
September 2017	Programmes & stakeholders working together	Continue as above plus build on pilot programs e.g. mobile health clinic
October 2017	Continues as above	Continue as above
November 2017	Melbourne Cup: business activities slow down	Thinking, reading, revitalising old and researching new projects
December 2017	Christmas vacation	Thinking, reading, researching projects (beach trip) e.g. 3-10 weeks; last all or part of school term
January 2018	Still on holidays	Continue as above (+ school holiday program)
February 2018	14th February St Valentine's Day onwards (Luncheon). Work routines start afresh	Market pilot programmes e.g. 3-4 successful activities of the women's & community development programmes; photos & reports – put in Mulga Mail etc.