

PERTH INTERNATIONAL FOLK DANCE GROUP

Committee Meeting Minutes Draft

Time & Date: 17 January 2026, 11:00 am

Venue: 20 Browne St, Subiaco

Committee Office Bearers

Members

Martin Williams (MW)	Chairperson/President	Pam Williams (PW)
Jenny Bardill (JB)	Deputy Chairperson/Vice President	Pam Massey (PM)
Jenny Currell (JC)	Treasurer	Berni Maginn (BM)
John Whaite (JW)	Secretary	Jenny Shah (JS)

1. Apologies and Welcome

Apologies Berni Maginn

MW welcomed Jenny Shah as a new committee member.

2. Acceptance of previous minutes – meeting of 11 October 2025

Moved by JW, seconded by MW, carried.

3. Committee decisions after previous meeting

None

4. Treasurer and Financials

As usual, it is not possible to get a precise view of the financial situation because receipts are largely after the event. Cash flow is down \$1700 for the current financial year, mainly due to the end of year party, JC provided a spreadsheet summary of cash flows.

Treasurer's report accepted, moved by JC, seconded by PM, carried.

MW thanked JC for her efforts.

It is not clear who has a PID debit card. JW to check with Bendigo Bank.

Ausdance has teed up with an insurance company to provide dance group insurance. MW followed up and obtained a quote, tabled. It looks to be aimed at dance schools rather than community dance groups. The costs seem close to our existing insurances, so we won't change.

5. Memberships

No new membership applications.

For the AGM, JW checked membership status and found 2 inconsistencies. JC to check and follow up.

Membership renewal is due. If JC gets the names of those who have renewed to JW, he will provide an email list for those who haven't renewed. JC asked MW to include the renewal in the weekly news email.

The membership form should be reviewed to be consistent with decisions about videoing. MW will review.

Joy Hill's email address has stopped working. JW to check up with Michaela. Eve Arnold's email address has stopped working. MW to follow up.

David Lane has passed. MW has contacted Karen to see if there is any PID costume in his estate.

6. Events

1. PID 50th Gold Anniversary

JC and JB propose a party for each outlying group, spread over the year to avoid an overload. JC has prepared a schedule, which JB will discuss with the various group leaders.

The major party will be the Saturday group party, preferably to be held in July – the Gold Party. The party will focus on current and some previous dancers, no performances from other groups, and the Last Five Coins will be invited but not to perform. It will be a dancing party.

There was some discussion about whether the Gold Party should be held at Dalkeith or another hall. There are two Saturdays in July / August which we were unable to book for our regular Saturday session.

Monday evening party will be less about dance and more about eating, slides and things, and will be some time mid year.

The 50th subcommittee (MW, PM, JB) will meet Thursday 26 Feb.

2. End of Year Party

Dalkeith Hall has been booked for 19 December. Same format as 2025, including Last Five Coins.

7. Regular Dance Sessions

1. Non-core group signed agreements. Currently only the Bal has a signed agreement. MW has given a version to Maria and Jennifer. Maria agreed to review it.

No progress

2. Teaching duration on Saturdays

The October meeting decided to trial 45 minutes teaching duration on Saturdays. After discussion with teachers, this was not popular. The committee decided to retain the 1 hour 'teaching' session, and recommends a mix of familiar dances not taught, with some taught dance, and to limit the number of dances taught and new dances.

8. Other Business

1. Roles and Responsibilities

MW presented a spreadsheet of roles and responsibilities. The roles and responsibilities were agreed.

JC wants to no longer manage hall bookings. JS agreed to take over as booking officer.

2. Dalkeith Hall Booking

Dalkeith Hall is not available for the Saturday sessions 7 February, 6 June, 1 August. JB will look for another hall for 7 February.

3. Website archiving

MW presented information from the state library that our website is being archived (see attachment).

4. PID History Book.

Martin thanked people who reviewed the text, and presented a printed and bound proof. Printing quotes sought from several printers and received from iPrintPlus and OptimaPress. They are expected to cost about \$12 per copy to print, and we need to take orders so we get the right number printed. JB agree to keep a record of orders. The book will be promoted at classes, in the news email and on the website.

The committee agreed to subsidise the cost and sell them for \$10 each. The committee also agreed to get an ISBN number for \$44. MW passed a \$55 invoice from iPrintPlus paid for printing a proof copy of the History, as agreed by email.

The final book will have some changes from the proof following comments from reviewers.

5. PID web changes

MW's report attached, changes include adding the Calendar/Planner as a link, adding 50th icon, updates for 2026 playlists.

6. Publish Committee Minutes

No progress. JW will try to get it done this month.

7. Palenque Albany project

Palenque's application for \$5K funding for a dance project in Albany was refused.

8. New Business Card

MW proposed producing a new business card, with our regular classes listed on the reverse side. An alternative is to produce a card with a QR code on the front. The QR links to a web page with only the information that would appear on the back of the card, so it could be kept current. MW will look into it.

9. MW thanked the Bardills for their hospitality. All agreed.

9. Next Meeting

2 May 2026, 11:30 am, 20 Browne St, Subiaco.

10. Meeting closed 1:15pm

Minutes approved by Chairperson/President

Signature _____ Date _____

