



Palliative Care Council of South Australia Inc

Annual Report and Audited Financial Statements

1 July 2007 – 30 June 2008

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Chair's Annual Report

I am proud to present my first annual report as Chair of the Palliative Care Council of South Australia.

I thank Dr James Cooper for his continued support of the Council as the immediate past chair.

This year has presented its challenges.

The first of these was the resignation of Will Hallahan as Executive Officer. I am assured that it wasn't my incumbency which prompted Will's decision to take up the equivalent role for the West Australian Palliative Care Association. We wish him well in his new job, and know that his contribution to Palliative Care in Australia continues and grows.

At the time of Will's appointment to the job here, the selection panel had difficulty making the choice between him and Robyn Rouvray who also applied, and came with a high level of skill. The decision was made to offer the Executive Officer position to Will, and, in order to capitalise on her skills, Robyn was employed as Project Officer. It was not a hard decision, then, for us to move Robyn up into the Executive Officer position.

So, you could say that Robyn and I began the journey of discovery about the Council together.

I am grateful for her willingness to take on the role, and its attendant challenges, with the dedication and drive which she brings to it.

And then the fun began!

You will read in the rest of these documents about the myriad activities in which the Council has been principally involved over this preceding year. I will highlight only a couple.

Firstly there was the State Palliative Care Volunteers' conference held on 23 May 2008.

The registrations for this event were the highest we have had so far. There was an excellent range of talented speakers led by the keynote speaker Hieu Van Le, the Lieutenant Governor of South Australia, who presented a very moving testimony of his flight from his homeland of Vietnam and his initiation into life in Australia. Feedback to the Conference was very positive, and it is hoped that we can continue the impetus for the next one. It is a way of acknowledging the vital role which volunteers play in the delivery of palliative services.

The second major focus for the Council has been the development of the State Palliative Care Plan, which is a part of the State Health Plan. The Council has been represented on both the Reference Group and the Steering Committee of the Plan.

While the process began with some teething problems, mainly around process, the work has arrived at the point where a draft Plan has been formulated and is waiting for ratification by the Minister of Health, The Honourable John Hill. This should take place by the end of September.

Our continued concern has been to engage with our members as proactively as possible and we will continue to develop ways of achieving that throughout the coming year.

I am reminded that our title is the Palliative Care **Council** of South Australia. That title applies to the whole membership, and we need to have that foremost in our thinking.

I should like to express my most sincere thanks to:

- the members of the Board of the Council, who meet monthly, and sometimes more, for often lively discussion and debate, and to make decisions,
- Robyn and the staff of the office, which, in addition to paid members, includes very willing volunteers
- Associate Professor Brenda Wilson, the Chief Executive Officer of Cancer Council South Australia, who supports our work through the provision of premises and services.

I wish you well in the year ahead.

David Roach
Chair
30 June 2008

Executive Officer's Annual Report

I am delighted to present to you my first Annual Report as Executive Officer.

Firstly, I would like to thank my predecessor Mr Will Hallahan, who resigned in January 2008 to take up a similar role in Western Australia, for his help, support and encouragement, not only since my appointment as Executive Officer but also in my role as Project Officer.

The last 6 months have been extremely demanding and I wish to convey my sincere thanks to the Board for their continued support and advice. The change from my role as Project Officer to that of Executive Officer has represented a huge learning curve. I also wish to thank the Board for their commitment to the Palliative Care Council of South Australia (PCCSA) throughout the year and thank them for providing me with this wonderful opportunity.

I would like to take this opportunity of publicly acknowledging the assistance of staff, namely Hilary Reid, who has been with PCCSA for just over 5 years, and PCCSA's newly appointed Project Officer, Leanne Noack. Leanne joined us in July 2008 and has taken on the responsibilities of Project Officer with great aplomb. Anne Milne also joined the team in a part-time capacity for 12 weeks to assist PCCSA with the management of the 4th State-wide Volunteers Conference.

I am also extremely indebted to Associate Professor Brenda Wilson, Chief Executive Officer of the Cancer Council South Australia (CCSA). CCSA provides in-kind support to PCCSA in so many ways. Their invaluable assistance enables PCCSA to help provide the best palliative care for all South Australians. Thank you.

To our numerous volunteers, especially Wendi DiSario, Hellen Taylor, Sue South, Kaye Polglase, Carolyn Toohey and Anne Pickhaver, I thank you on behalf of PCCSA staff – you do an amazing job and we are so grateful for your commitment. We could not do it without you.

Special thanks also to our Patron, Mrs Liz Scarce, for her interest in palliative care and support of the Council, which is greatly appreciated.

Strategic Plan 1: Advocating for better care and services

State-wide Palliative Care Plan 2007-16

The Government of South Australia launched *South Australia's Health Care Plan 2007-16* (SAHCP) on 7 June 2007. The SAHCP calls for a new *State-wide Palliative Care Plan*. This represents a significant advocacy success for the Council, which, amongst others, has been arguing that a new plan was required.

The Council played a leading role in the planning. I was a member of the Reference Group and our Chair, David Roach, was on the Steering Committee, which met weekly from January 2008 until April 2008.

The *State-wide Palliative Care Plan* was submitted to the Minister for Health, The Hon John Hill MP, in August 2008 and we eagerly await the outcome.

PCCSA will continue to maintain a strong voice in supporting the implementation of the Plan.

Our Strategic Plan says:

The Council recognises that:

- Advocating for better services for dying people, their carers and families is one of the core functions of the organisation
- Changing care financing and delivery systems is frequently a complex and difficult process
- Impetus for change needs to come from various directions and constituencies: from within the care delivery system itself, from the users of the care delivery system, and from the broader community and their representatives
- As an organisation, the Council needs continually to improve and maintain its capacity to influence each of these constituencies
- The Council has a particular responsibility in supporting disadvantaged groups with special needs in our community to secure better outcomes.

The South Australian Department of Health

The Chair and my predecessor represented the Council on the Department of Health's Palliative Care Liaison Group. This committee was disbanded and replaced by Steering Group and Reference Group of the State-wide Palliative Care Plan, of which the Chair and the Executive Officer are members.

Council would like to again publicly acknowledge the ongoing support and commitment to PCCSA of the Hon John Hill, Minister for Health, and Ms Meryl Horsell and her team at the Department of Health.

The State Government provides funding for the Council to maintain a resource and information service, which is well utilised and well received, not only by the general public, but service providers and other allied health professionals.

PCCSA worked collaboratively with the Department on:

- Consumer Consultative Forum – State-wide Palliative Care Plan : 7 March 2008

Program of Experience in the Palliative Approach (PEPA)

PCCSA wish to also thank PEPA, which has provided financial assistance for the following projects:

- Master Class – Expressions of life (involving art therapy and client biography therapy)
- Review and revision of the resource, *Palliative Nursing Care – a community perspective*

Palliative Care Australia

The Council enjoys a close working relationship with Palliative Care Australia (PCA) and I wish to take this opportunity of thanking Donna Daniels, CEO of PCA, for her guidance and mentoring during my transition to the role as Executive Officer.

Dr Lawrie Palmer and I are the current members of PCA Council. Council meets twice a year and is designed to look at the strategic issues around PCA. I am also PCCSA's nominated member of PCA's Operations Committee which meets monthly, via teleconference.

Will Hallahan was also a member of the Council, the now defunct Promotions & Marketing Committee and Operations Committee.

PCCSA hosted a meeting on 7 April 2008 on behalf of PCA. Service providers, partners, clinicians, stakeholders and the members of PCCSA were invited to the workshop which outlined the implementation of PCA's National Standards Assessment Program.

Country Health SA

I attend regular meetings with staff from Country Health SA – the section of the Department of Health responsible for healthcare delivery in rural South Australia – to discuss the development and delivery of palliative care services in country areas, in particular, the recently released County Health SA Plan.

Advance Directives Review

The SA Department of Health commenced a review of the state's advance care planning framework in Financial Year 2007.

- Stage 1 Report has been finalised. Chair of the Review Committee briefed the Attorney General(AG) and the Minister for Health at the end of July 2008 on the recommendations. (Stage 1 Report recommends changes to law and policy)
- Stage 2 Report is currently being finalised and is based in large part on outcomes from the Expert Advisory Panel (EAP) workshop. Stage 2 Report supports the Stage 1 recommendations and is focussed on implementation and practice.

Financial Year 2008 - 2009 Activities – Advocating for better care and services:

In Financial Year 2008 - 2009 the Palliative Care Council of South Australia Inc will:

- Work closely with the SA Department of Health on the implementation of the new *State-wide Palliative Care Plan*
- Continue to actively support Palliative Care Australia
- Continue to work with and closely support the Rural Palliative Care Group of South Australia and the Palliative Care Nurses Professional Forum
- Monitor issues in palliative and end of life care with a view to developing and disseminating clear position statements
- Establish an End of Life Care Coalition in South Australia involving our partners and stakeholders in palliative care
- Continue to alert politicians, policymakers, the media and the community to both gaps and great achievements in end of life care in our state

Strategic Role 2 : Developing community capacity**Community Palliative Care Nursing Program**

PCCSA provides \$1,000 towards the cost of providing a respite nurse for people with a terminal illness who wish to die at home. A one-off payment of \$220 towards household bills is also available.

More information is available at www.pallcare.asn.au/communityncp.php.

Donations to help continue this vital program are most welcome.

National Palliative Care Week

National Palliative Care Week, 25-31 May 2008, was the centrepiece of the Council's community capacity and awareness raising effort during Financial Year 2007.

This year's theme was *Palliative Care - A Matter of Life & Death*, which provided palliative care services, health services, clinicians, community organisations and people with an interest in palliative care to raise awareness about death and dying in the community and the importance of quality care at the end of life.

Our Strategic Plan says:

The Council recognises that:

- dying is a part of life
- the care of dying people is a broader social responsibility which should not be solely borne by specialist palliative care services or the healthcare system
- the South Australian community needs encouragement and practical support to be able to better deal with death and dying and care for those who are affected
- the Council has a role to play in providing information, tools, resources and encouragement to individuals, groups and organisations who support and care for dying people
- the Council has a role to play in promoting awareness of services which are available to meet patient, carer, family and community needs so that people can make informed choices about their healthcare.

It also gave us the opportunity to celebrate and thank the many carers – health professionals, families and others, who care for the 100,000 Australians who die each year from a terminal illness.

As part of the celebrations, PCCSA held the following events:

May – June 2008

NPCW 2008 display at the Marion Library

Master Class 2008 – Expressions of Life

Thanks to the SA Department of Health's Program of Experience in the Palliative Approach (PEPA) program who provided funding for the Council to host a master class entitled, *Expressions of Life – Art Therapy and Client Biography*

The two presenters were:

Dr Anna Petterson
Medical Art Psychotherapist, Researcher & Tutor
WA Centre for Cancer & Palliative Care
Edith Cowan University, WA, and

Ms Jenny Kearney
Project Officer
Eastern Palliative Care Service, Victoria.

4th State-wide Palliative Care Volunteers Conference – “The 3-D Conference : Dreams, Diversity & Directions”

The Council organised the 4th Annual Palliative Care Volunteers Conference on 23 May, 2008. 230 people attended this event from all over the state, along with 1 registration from Tasmania. Participants rated every aspect of the Conference very highly. A report and photographs are available at www.pallcare.asn.au/conference.php.

“A Matter of Life & Death” Forum – Confronting the new reality - 16 June 2008

The forum offered an opportunity for you to help shape improved policy for quality care at the end of life and promote the broader application of the principles of palliative care.

Invitations were issued to service providers, clinicians, stakeholders, partners and the community as it was an opportunity to provide the Australian government with information on issues, opportunities and the way forward for the care of patients with a terminal illness in aged care, acute care and chronic care.

Guest speakers at the Forum were Ms Rosemary Warmington, CEO, CarersSA and Ms Ceri McLeod from the Motor Neurone Association.

The forum also provided an opportunity to capitalise on existing partnerships and develop new partnerships with stakeholders and service providers to build workforce and community capacity.

The Council thanks the Australian Government Department of Health and Ageing and PEPA for providing funds to conduct National Palliative Care Week activities.

Palliative care resources and information

The Council continues to respond to a growing number of requests for information about palliative care, and in particular about the provisions of the South Australian *Consent to Medical Treatment and Palliative Care Act 1995*, from the general community and a range of health care providers, particularly those in the aged care sector.

Information sessions on Advanced Directives and palliative care were held at many residential aged care facilities and for several community organisations. This is a growing part of the Council’s work and results from an increasing understanding of end of life care issues in the aged care sector and the community at large.

Statistics from the Council’s website at www.pallcare.asn.au suggest an interesting trend is underway in that the total number of ‘visits’ (the figure which shows that users follow a link suggested by a search engine or referenced by another website) is up.

The steady increase in popularity of the website shows that the address is more widely known, the content is both deeper and more extensive and that the website has a ‘go to’ status within the palliative care community in Australia.

The Council published three editions of its regular newsletter *PalliativeProfileSA*. Many thanks to all contributors and the editorial team.

During the year, Council released two new publications:- “*What Now?*” and “*A Caregiver’s Guide: a Handbook about end-of-life care.*”

These resources are designed to provide simple, clear, factual information about palliative care and death and dying, and to equip readers – patients, carers, family, friends and others – so that they can better understanding what is happening to them and empower them to make their own informed decisions.

Memory Boxes

Sue South, PCCSA board member, is now working on this project and has marketed the memory boxes to pastoral care workers in the metropolitan state primary schools and to all South Australian

funeral directors. This campaign is proving to be a great success and I wish to thank Sue for all her efforts.

We have applied to the Morialta Trust seeking funding to produce another 500 boxes and are still waiting the outcome of the request.

I would like to take this opportunity of thanking the Inner Wheel club of St Peters/Campbelltown Inc for their generous support in the supply of the exquisitely knitted teddy bears which are a part of the Memory Boxes. The teddy bears add an extra dimension to the Memory Boxes and feedback indicates that they are well loved.

Diana Rudd Fellowship

Our colleague and friend Diana Rudd (Barossa Valley Palliative Care Coordinator), who died in February 2004, was a passionate and dedicated registered nurse. In honour of Diana's memory, the Diana Rudd Fellowship was formed.

The Diana Rudd Fellowship, administered by the Palliative Care Council of South Australia, provides \$7,500 so that a South Australian palliative care nurse can make an international trip to further their knowledge and skills in the area of palliative care, and just as importantly, enjoy a real travel experience.

The nature of the fellowship is intended to reflect Diana's values and interests as exhibited in her own professional life:

- *a lifelong commitment to the care of the sick*
- *a belief in the value of continuing education and professional development*
- *a love of international travel.*

This year's competition was fierce and to this end, the committee decided to award a joint fellowship to Kate Swetenham, Director/Unit Nurse Manager, South Adelaide Palliative Services and Ms Wendy Jansen, Clinical Consultant, Lyell McEwin Hospital. Kate will be attending the Psycho-Oncology Conference in Vienna in June 2009 and Wendy will be travelling to the UK in 2009 to work with Dr John Ellershaw & Team at the Marie Curie Palliative Institute in Liverpool.

Heartiest congratulations to Wendy and Kate and we look forward to receiving their report on the completion of their travels in 2009.

The reports of the previous Fellows are available at www.pallcare.asn.au/scholarship.php.

Better Palliative Care for People with Dementia Project – led by Aged Care Housing Group(ACH)

I was invited in March 2008 to join the Reference Group of the above project. The aim of the project is to increase access to palliative care services for people with dementia and providing support to remain living at home throughout their life. The project is due for completion in January 2009.

Financial Year 2008-2009 Activities – Developing community capacity:

In Financial Year 2008/09 the Palliative Care Council of South Australia Inc will:

- Continue to develop our Speakers Bureau
- Reintroduce member forums
- Celebrate the second World Hospice and Palliative Care Day on 11 October 2008 (visit www.worldday.org)
- End of Life Coalition : work collaboratively with our partners towards to help shape quality end-of-life care for all
- Consolidate links with and provide information to the media and palliative care stakeholders – including health professionals whose primary role is not palliative care
- Publish a new information resource for the Aboriginal community in Port Augusta entitled: ***“What do we do now?”***
- Review and revision of the book: ***“Palliative Nursing Care – a community perspective”***
- Review and revision of the book: ***Multicultural Palliative Care Guidelines***

Strategic Role 3 : Supporting members and developing the organisation

Our members

The Council, during Financial Year 2007-2008, had a membership of 164 Individual members; 42 Corporate members comprising 426 members; 11 Life Members totalling 601 members. This is a slight decrease of 44 memberships compared to the Financial Year 2006/2007.

To be an effective voluntary organisation, the Council relies heavily on public support and individual goodwill to assist the various programs that Council provides.

I wish to publicly acknowledge the support of all our members whose ongoing commitment to PCCSA assists us as an organisation to advocate for and support people who are terminally ill and assist families and carers during and after death.

Our Strategic Plan says:

The Council recognises that:

- the direct involvement of the broader community is essential for the health of the organisation and its ability to meet its objectives
- the organisation needs sufficient staff, material resources and funds to confidently and effectively discharge its duties to the South Australian community
- attracting, developing and retaining talented board members and staff is critical
- working strategically means careful planning, execution and monitoring of work and husbanding our limited resources

Our office team

The staff of the Council share office space with Cancer Council South Australia. The Cancer Council has always supported the Palliative Care Council and without this generous, practical and friendly assistance we could not achieve half as much.

The Council's staff during Financial Year 2007 – 2008 were:

- Will Hallahan – Executive Officer (July 2007 – January 2008)
- Robyn Rouvray – Executive Officer (current)
- Leanne Noack – Project Officer (current)
- Hilary Reid – Administration Officer (current)
- Anne Milne – Project Officer (April – June 2008)

Resourcing

As can be seen in the Financial Statements for the year ended 30 June 2008, the Council continued to receive funding to provide a palliative care resource and education service from the Government of South Australia.

Membership fees, project funding and donations all increased over previous years.

Financial Year 2008-2009 Activities – Supporting members and developing the organisation

In Financial Year 2008-2009 the Palliative Care Council of South Australia Inc will:

- Continue to provide its members with opportunities to air concerns, issues and ideas about palliative care in the state and nationally
- Continue to provide a detailed, quality, newsletter – *PalliativeProfileSA*
- General membership drive.

Robyn Rouvray
Executive Officer
30 June 2008

THE PALLIATIVE CARE COUNCIL OF SOUTH AUSTRALIA INC.

Audited Financial Statements
For the Year Ended
30 June 2008

THE PALLIATIVE CARE COUNCIL OF S.A. INC**BALANCE SHEET AT 30 JUNE 2008**

	Note	2008	2007
Council Funds			
Retained Earnings		(32,070)	(2,651)
General Reserve		55,000	55,000
Total Council Funds		\$22,930	\$52,349
Represented by			
Current Assets			
Cheque Account		26,971	11,076
Cash Management Account		83,806	142,065
Petty Cash		100	66
Gift Fund		46,715	69,402
Debtors		4,174	3,926
		161,766	226,535
Non Current Assets			
Plant, Equipment and Furniture	2	784	1,946
Total Assets		162,550	228,481
Current Liabilities			
GST Liability		2,485	2,461
Creditors		31,189	20,025
		33,674	22,486
Non Current Liabilities			
Provisions	3	105,944	153,646
Total Liabilities		139,620	176,132
Net Assets		\$22,930	\$52,349

THE PALLIATIVE CARE COUNCIL OF S.A. INC**PROFIT & LOSS STATEMENT FOR YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2008**

	Note	2008	2007
Income			
Interest - Cheque Account		141	199
- Cash Management Account		6,113	7,332
- Gift Fund		267	108
Donations - General		36,241	23,178
- Rudd Fellowship	4	11,545	7,504
Memorials - General		3,035	7,070
Bequests		-	31,581
Membership - Collective		6,018	6,103
- Individual		5,382	10,818
Registrations - Forums		15,336	14,171
Conference		-	109
Corporate Sponsorship		3,727	-
Project Funding		38,287	181,283
Department of Health Contract		73,200	70,400
Sales – Books, Tapes etc		20,639	10,751
Project Admin Recoveries		14,994	36,850
Transfers From Provisions		60,224	104,048
Reimbursements		1,601	2,814
Public Speakers		455	1,048
Miscellaneous Income		1,709	1,342
		\$298,914	\$516,709

THE PALLIATIVE CARE COUNCIL OF S.A. INC**PROFIT & LOSS STATEMENT FOR YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2008**

Expenses	2008	2007
Administration		
Software Support Charges	477	254
Equipment	310	2,506
Insurance	5,398	10,573
Internet	3,607	12,367
Office Supplies	649	774
Photocopying	62	142
Postage & Freight	5,270	3,713
Archive & Storage	463	253
Stationery & Printing	35,552	28,960
Design & Photography	14,449	4,455
Telephone & Fax	2,970	3,195
Employment Expenses		
Administrative Assistant	30,093	19,926
Executive Officer	79,235	71,767
Project Officer	34,687	67,415
Project Officer 2	4,143	59,500
Executive Officer Expenses	243	-
Staff Travel	395	7,492
Staff Training	601	1,462
Finance		
Accounting Tuition	2,000	2,400
Auditors Fee	2,500	2,274
Bank Fees	697	928
Depreciation Expense	1,162	1,958
General Operations		
ACF Annual Admin Fee	-	1,000
Meeting Expenses	445	1,797
Purchase of Merchandise	718	268
Forums & Conferences	18,861	34,425
Project Expenses	51,724	17,294
Project Provision Allocations	-	118,936
Newsletter	4,625	6,171
Promotional Activities	2,180	1,030
Subscriptions	1,143	900
Non-Staff Travel & Other Expenses	8,981	11,675
Project Admin Fees	14,294	30,356
Miscellaneous Expenses	399	563
	\$328,333	\$526,729
Net Surplus/(Deficit)	(\$29,419)	(\$10,020)

THE PALLIATIVE CARE COUNCIL OF S.A. INC**STATEMENT OF APPROPRIATIONS****FOR YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2008**

Retained Earnings brought forward	(\$2,651)	11,651
Adjustment for Rudd Fellowship Provision		-
Adjustment for Pika Wiya Provision		(4,282)
Current Year Earnings	(29,419)	(10,020)
Retained Earnings at 30th June 2008	(\$32,070)	(\$2,651)

THE PALLIATIVE CARE COUNCIL OF S.A. INC**STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS FOR YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2008**

	2008	2007
Cash Flows from Operating Activities		
Receipts from Funding	112,587	251,683
Receipts from Memberships	11,250	16,921
Receipts from Donations & Bequests	47,786	69,333
Receipts from Operational Activities	45,176	67,085
Interest Received	6,521	7,639
Payments to Suppliers and Employees	(300,894)	(404,039)
Net Cash Provided by Operating Activities	(\$77,574)	\$8,622
Cash Flows from Other Activities		
Receipt of Money Held in Trust for RPCGSA	12,523	-
Net Cash Provided by Other Activities	\$12,523	-
Net Movement in Cash for Period	(\$65,051)	\$8,622
Cash at Beginning of Financial Year	\$222,543	\$213,921
Cash at End of Financial Year	\$157,492	\$222,543
Cash Balances at End of Financial Year		
Cheque Account	26,971	11,076
Cash Management Account	83,806	142,065
Gift Fund	46,715	69,402
	\$157,492	\$222,543

THE PALLIATIVE CARE COUNCIL OF S.A. INC

NOTES TO AND FORMING PART OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Statement of Significant Accounting Policies

1. Statement of Significant Accounting Policies

These Financial Statements are a special purpose financial report prepared for use by the Committee of the Palliative Care Council of S.A. Inc. The Executive Committee has determined that the business is not a reporting entity.

The statements have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the following applicable Accounting Standards and other mandatory professional reporting requirements:

AAS 1: Profit and Loss or other Operating Statements
AAS 8: Events Occurring After Reporting Date

No other applicable Accounting Standards or mandatory professional reporting requirements have been applied.

The statements have been prepared on an accruals basis. They are based on historic costs and do not take into account changing money values or, except where specifically stated, current valuations of non-current assets.

The following specific accounting policies, which are consistent with the previous period unless otherwise stated, have been adopted in the preparation of these statements:

Property, Plant & Equipment

Property, plant and equipment are included at cost, independent or management's valuation. All assets, excluding freehold land and buildings are depreciated over their useful lives to the business.

2.	Plant, Equipment & Furniture	2008	2007
	Computer & Software at cost	1,943	1,943
	Accumulated depreciation	(1,943)	(1,489)
	Display Stand, at cost	5,863	5,863
	Accumulated depreciation	(5,863)	(5,863)
	Furniture, at cost	1,838	1,838
	Accumulated depreciation	(1,838)	(1,838)
	Digital Camera, at cost	805	805
	Accumulated depreciation	(805)	(645)
	Data Projector, at cost	2,320	2,320
	Accumulated depreciation	(1,856)	(1,392)
	Folding Trolley, at cost	418	418
	Accumulated depreciation	(98)	(14)
		\$784	\$1,946

3.	Provisions	Note	2008	2007
	Memorial – Rudd		29,604	27,439
	What Next?		2,694	8,501
	Relief Comfort & Support		2,951	2,951
	Reflections on PEPA		20,893	30,893
	Palliative Caring at Home		5,621	3,000
	Aboriginal Website		200	200
	MAPCARE		-	15,000
	Round 3 Support		10,948	-
	RPCGSA		12,523	-
	A Caregivers Guide		-	23,000
	Volunteer Development		2,331	2,000
	Nursing Program		14,393	36,380
	Pika Wiya		3,786	4,282
			\$105,944	\$153,646

4.	Provision - Rudd Fellowship	
	Opening Balance – 1 July 2007	27,439
	Income Received Year Ended 30 June 2008	11,545
	Expenses Incurred Year Ended 30 June 2008	(9,380)
	Closing Balance – 30 June 2008	29,604

THE PALLIATIVE CARE COUNCIL OF S.A. INC

STATEMENT BY EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEMBERS

In the opinion of the Executive Committee of the Palliative Care Council of S.A. Inc,

- 1 (a) The accompanying Profit and Loss Statement and Balance Sheet of The Palliative Care Council of S.A. Inc are drawn up so as to give a true and fair view of the results of the Council for the year ended 30 June 2008 and of its state of affairs as at the end of that period.
- (b) At the date of this statement there are reasonable grounds to believe The Palliative Care Council of S.A. Inc will be able to pay it debts as and when they fall due.
- 2. The accompanying accounts have been made out in accordance with applicable Accounting Standards and the constitution of The Palliative Care Council of S.A. Inc

This statement is made in accordance with a resolution of the Executive Committee and is signed for and on behalf of the Executive Committee by:

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 David Roach
 Chairman –Executive Committee

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 Elizabeth Keam
 Treasurer –Executive Committee

Signed in Adelaide this day of 2008

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

TO THE MEMBERS OF THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL
THE PALLIATIVE CARE COUNCIL OF S.A. INC

Scope

We have audited the financial report set out on pages 2 to 9, comprising the Profit & Loss Statement, Balance Sheet, Statement of Cash Flows and notes thereto of The Palliative Care Council of S.A. Inc. for the year ended 30 June 2008.

The Executive Council is responsible for the preparation and presentation of the financial report and the information contained therein. We have conducted an independent audit of the financial report in order to express an opinion on it to the members.

Our audit has been conducted in accordance with Australian Standards to provide reasonable assurance as to whether the accounts are free of material misstatement. Our procedures included examination, on a test basis, of evidence supporting the amounts and other disclosures in the accounts, and the evaluation of accounting policies and significant accounting estimates. These procedures have been undertaken to form an opinion as to whether, in all material respects, the accounts are presented fairly in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards, other mandatory professional reporting requirements in Australia, the Associations Incorporation Act (SA) and The Palliative Care Council of S.A. Inc. Constitution so as to present a view which is consistent with our understanding of its financial position and performance as represented by the results of its operations.

The audit opinion expressed in this report has been formed on the above basis.

Audit Opinion

In our opinion the financial accounts of The Palliative Care Council of S.A. Inc. are in accordance with:

- (a) the Associations Incorporation Act (SA) including:
 - (i) Giving a true and fair view of The Palliative Care Council of S.A. Inc financial position as at 30 June 2008 and its performance for the year ended on that date.
 - (ii) Complying with Accounting Standards; and
 - (iii) The constitution of The Palliative Care Council of S.A. Inc; and
- (b) Other mandatory professional reporting standards.

DW JOHNS & CO

Chartered Accountants

DW Johns- Partner

Signed at Eastwood this 26th day of August 2008

Organisational Data

Board Members

At 30 June 2008

- Mr David Roach – Chair
- Ms Megan Hender – Deputy Chair
- Mrs Elizabeth Keam AM – Honorary Treasurer
- Ms Aine Greene – Honorary Secretary
- Dr James Cooper – Immediate Past Chair
- Ms Karen Barwick
- Dr John Sniatynskij
- Ms Sue South
- Ms Janet Taylor

Ex-Officio Members

At 30 June 2008

- Dr Mary Brooksbank AM – Central Adelaide Palliative Services
- Ms Julie Duffield – Paediatric Palliative Care, Children, Youth and Women’s Health Service
- Dr Roger Hunt – Western Adelaide Palliative Care
- Ms Wendy Jansen – Lyell McEwin Palliative Care Service
- Dr Lawrie Palmer – Modbury Palliative Care Service
- Ms Di Roughton – Royal District Nursing Service
- Mr Yuri Rupcic – Rural Palliative Care Group of SA.
- Ms Kate Swetenham – Southern Adelaide Palliative Services

Life Members

At 30 June 2008

- The Mary Potter Foundation
- Mrs Margaret Beare
- Dr Mary Brooksbank AM
- Ms Jennifer Cashmore AM
- Mr Peter Fisher
- Sr Christina Lloyd
- Mrs Elizabeth Keam AM
- Emeritus Professor Ian Maddocks AM
- Mr Lange Powell
- Dr Margaret Skene
- Mrs Joan Snyder
- The late Mr Andrew Taylor
- Mr John Harley

Community Supporters in 2007-08

Several local businesses and organisations sponsor and support the activities of the Council, and we extend especial thanks to:

- Cancer Council South Australia
- Pan Print
- Mrs Elizabeth Keam AM
- Military & Hospitaller Order of St Lazarus of Jerusalem
- Bank SA and Staff Charitable Fund
- Adelaide Bank Foundation
- Mr Lewis Pounentis, Payneham Road Chemplus Compounding Pharmacy
- Bracegirdles House of Fine Chocolates
- Independent Home Grocers
- Inner Wheel Club of St Peters/Campbelltown Inc
- Simplicity Funerals
- FTL Estate Services Ltd

We also extend our sincere thanks to those individuals who donate their time, energy and money to the Council to further our work.

The Palliative Care Council of South Australia Inc is a not for profit association incorporated in South Australia under the *Associations Incorporation Act 1985*.

The Council has been accorded Deductible Gift Recipient Status by the Australian Tax Office.

How to support the Palliative Care Council of SA

The Palliative Care Council of South Australia Inc is a non-profit community organisation which aims to promote palliative care in South Australia. The Council is constituted to:

- be an independent, community-based, representative organisation for palliative care in South Australia
- advocate the needs, rights and interests of people who are dying and those who care for them
- foster and promote community awareness of palliative care philosophies and services
- present to government an independent voice on issues and directions for palliative care in South Australia
- facilitate the working together of government, health authorities, service providers and community groups to meet the needs of dying people and those who care for them
- support and facilitate professional development and education
- promote the use of recognised standards for palliative care
- liaise and network with similar organisations elsewhere in Australia and overseas.

How your gift helps

Your gift assists the Council to provide palliative care information and resource materials to the general community, health care professionals and palliative care services, and to advocate on behalf of people who are dying and those who care for them.

Bequests

Making your will need not be a sombre or sad occasion – it's an opportunity to plan exactly what should happen to your hard-won assets after you die. Professional help is available to help ensure your will works as you intended – solicitors and accountants can advise you.

A bequest is a gift specified in a will, which reserves part of an estate for a particular beneficiary. Bequests can be given for use at the discretion of the Executive Committee of the Council, which gives the greatest flexibility, or can be directed to a specific purpose, like the Community Palliative Care Nursing Program.

Please consider contacting us here at the Council on 08 8291 4137 when you've made your bequest – and give us a chance to thank you for your generosity!

Donations

The Council has been awarded Deductible Gift Recipient status by the Australian Tax Office. This means that you can deduct the value of any donations you make to the Council from your annual income for tax purposes. The Council provides an official receipt and thank-you letter to all giftmakers who provide details.

Post your gift to:

The Palliative Care Council of South Australia Inc
202 Greenhill Road
EASTWOOD SA 5063,

or call 08 8291 4137 to discuss your options or to donate by credit card.

Volunteering

Please contact us on 08 8271 4137 to discuss how you can volunteer in palliative care or at the Council. Palliative care volunteers work with local services, which provide full training, to enhance the ability of dying people, their families, friends and communities to live as fully as possible.

What is palliative care?

Palliative care is care provided for people of all ages who have a life-limiting illness, with little or no prospect of cure, and for whom the primary treatment goal is quality of life.

The World Health Organisation describes palliative care as:

An approach that improves quality of life of patients and families facing the problems associated with life-threatening illness, through the prevention of suffering by the early identification and impeccable assessment and treatment of pain and other symptoms, physical, psychological and spiritual.

Palliative care:

- *provides relief from pain and other distressing symptoms*
- *affirms life and regards dying as a normal process*
- *intends neither to hasten or postpone death*
- *integrates psychological and spiritual aspects of patient care*
- *offers a support system to help patients live as actively as possible until death*
- *offers a support system to help the family cope during the patient's illness and in bereavement*
- *uses a team approach to address the needs of patients and their families, including bereavement counselling if indicated*
- *will enhance the quality of life, and may also positively influence the course of illness*
- *is applicable early in the course of illness, in conjunction with other therapies that are intended to prolong life, such as chemotherapy or radiation therapy, and includes those investigations needed to better understand and manage distressing clinical complications.*

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