Secretary's Report 2026

Membership

As at 30th June 2026, our Membership base remains strong with 309 members.

Total over this period: 309 memberships bought
130 New Memberships
179 Renewals

DATE	NEW MEMBERSHIPS	RENEWALS
Jul 2025	22	17
Aug 2025	6	6
Sep 2025	9	6
Oct 2025	4	11
Nov 2025	2	7
Dec 2025	14	31
Jan 2026	35	32
Feb 2026	5	13
Mar 2026	6	8
Apr 2026	8	22
May 2026	6	8
Jun 2026	13	18

Thanks to Oncord membership management system which provides flexibility for members while simplifying membership administration together with Caroline's efforts in monitoring the renewals, membership numbers continue to grow. It is great to see continued support from existing members together with growing interest from new members across the Sunshine Coast. It is also pleasing to see that our Corporate Membership has increased this year, thanks to Caroline's efforts in securing partnerships with local entities.

Correspondence and Communications

Regular communication throughout the year was maintained through newsletters (Cécile) and email updates (Verity and Cécile).

At 30 June 2026, the Alliance's newsletter mailing list included more than 1,780 subscribers, extending the reach of our classes and events far beyond the membership base.

The Alliance's social media channels and website were managed by Cécile and Elisa.

Other Correspondence covered a wide range of matters including class enquiries, memberships, course enrolments, events, grants, governance requirements and general administration.

The Alliance's Post Office Box monitored by Verity continues to receive only minimal correspondence, primarily consisting of bank statements, regulatory notices and other official communications.

Meetings and Records

The Committee met online on four occasions during this financial year and once in person (AGM).

Agendas, reports and minutes were prepared and maintained for all meetings, ensuring accurate records of the Committee's decisions and activities. Confirmed minutes and associated reports continue to be securely maintained within the Alliance's record management systems. All data is kept on a dedicated Padlet.

Governance and Systems Improvements

- ACNC: Annual Information Statement Submissions - we are up to date. Next Lodgement date : December 2026 (after the AGM)

Charity	ID	Type	Created On ↓	Status
Alliance Francaise de la Sunshine Coast	CAS-1706344-M4B1H5	AIS Submission	31/12/2025	Complete
Alliance Francaise de la Sunshine Coast	CAS-1545355-H0P9X7	Change RP	10/02/2025	Complete
Alliance Francaise de la Sunshine Coast	CAS-1545337-C9Q2F6	Change AP	10/02/2025	Complete
Alliance Francaise de la Sunshine Coast	CAS-1510121-P9V1T1	AIS Submission	26/12/2024	Complete
Alliance Francaise de la Sunshine Coast	CAS-1310420-Y3G5Q4	AIS Submission	05/12/2023	Complete

- Office of Fair Trading : There has been a major change in our Reporting Responsibilities: Organisations registered with the Australian Charities and Not-for-Profits Commission (ACNC) - which is the case of the AFSC - are no longer required to lodge an annual return or financial statement with the Office of Fair Trading (OFT) if you lodge the ACNC's Annual Information Statement directly with the ACNC (which is what the AFSC does)

- As part of La Démarche-Qualité, we must evaluate whether we need to review our Constitution (established in 2008).

AF NETWORK MEETINGS with AFSC participation:

- 16th February 2026 - DEFI INTER ALLIANCES (AF Canberra - AF Newcastle - AF Sunshine Coast (Cécile) on ZOOM
- 17th February 2026 - Meeting of Francophone Associations (Caroline + Cécile) on ZOOM
- 18th February 2026 - Zoom meeting - National network - AF Directors (SCAC) - (Cécile)
- 19th February - Regional AF Zoom meeting (Cécile)
- 19th February - Zoom meeting with Jean-François Hans - LA FONDATION - (Cécile)
- 3rd March 2026 - Zoom meeting QUEENSLAND AF's (Cécile)
- 11th March 2026 - Zoom meeting - ZONE E (Clémentine + Cécile)
- 15th March 2026 - Zoom meeting - National network - AF Directors (SCAC) - (Cécile)
- 17th March 2026 - Zoom meeting - Regional AF Zoom meeting - Questionnaire AF explained by Cécile to the other Regional AF directors
- 27th March - Zoom meeting - Noumea Cultural Immersion presentation to participants (Caroline - Chris - Cécile)
- 22nd April 2026 - Zoom meeting - National network - AF Directors (SCAC) - (Cécile)
- 24th April 2026 - Regional AF Zoom meeting - Culturethèque presentation by Cécile to the other Regional AF directors and teachers

- 13th May 2026 - Zoom meeting - National network - AF Directors (SCAC) - (Cécile)
- 21st May 2026 - Regional AF Zoom meeting - Discussion on administrative role of AFSC (in charge of distributing grants to participating regional AF) - $100 extra grant for AFSC
- 17th June - Zoom meeting - National network - AF Directors (SCAC) - (Cécile)
- 25th June - Regional AF Zoom meeting - Discussion on upcoming events and gatherings
- 15th July - Zoom meeting - National network - AF Directors (SCAC) - (Cécile)
- 24th July - Regional AF Zoom meeting - Discussion on Multi-Level classes (AF Newcastle)
- 19th August - Regional AF Zoom meeting - Discussion on Photo Competition.
- 15th September - Zoom meeting - National network - AF Directors (SCAC) - (Cécile)
- 8th & 9th October 2026 - Gathering of the Australian AF network in (Brisbane - Clémentine & Cécile)
- 30th October - Mid-Size AF on Zoom - Talking Finances (Cécile)
- 4th November - Zoom meeting - National network - AF Directors (SCAC) - (Cécile)
- 5th November - Zoom meeting - Regional AF (Cécile)
- 20th November - Mid-Size AF on Zoom - Governance

I would like to thank my fellow committee members, teachers, volunteers and members for their support throughout the year. The continued growth and success of Alliance Française Sunshine Coast shows that the efforts of many dedicated people generates positive cultural impact in our community.

Annette Brown

Secretary
Alliance Française Sunshine Coast