

ROSEWORTHY OLD COLLEGIATES ASSOCIATION INC.

MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
HELD ON SATURDAY, 25TH SEPTEMBER 1993 AT
ROSEWORTHY CAMPUS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF ADELAIDE
COMMENCING AT 6.30PM

PRESENT:

Messrs P Dunn	B McFarlane
B Butler	D Manson
D Habel	R French
A Michelmores	R Anderson
P Fairbrother	H Stephen
T Twigdon	D Suter
M McKay	R Krause
R Baker	L Gibson
A Alcock	D Crawford
G Eckersley	

APOLOGIES:

Messrs G West	J Ralph
B Hannaford	G Robinson
D Chambers	N Wilkinson
D Murray	R Wishart
P LeLacher	E Arnold
A Brown	Mr Humble
J Jones	P Lewis

WELCOME: President, Mr Peter Dunn welcomed all present at the meeting.

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES: The minutes of the previous Annual General Meeting were circulated. Following some minor amendments it was resolved to adopt the minutes as circulated.
Moved : D Manson
Seconded : B McFarlane
Carried.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT: The President spoke to his written report which is attached to these Minutes as Annexure A. It was resolved that the meeting adopt the President's report.
Moved : P Dunn
Seconded : B McFarlane
Carried.

TREASURER'S REPORT: The audited accounts of the Association were circulated for comment. The Secretary then read from a report prepared by the Treasurer, who was unable to be at the meeting. A copy of that report is attached as Annexure B together with the audited accounts.

It was resolved that the Treasurer's report be adopted.
Moved : B McFarlane
Seconded : H Stephen
Carried.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS:

The President thanked all office bearers for their continued hard work during the year. In particular he thanked Prof. Harold Woolhouse as Dean of the Faculty for his generous support of ROCA. Also Alan Alcock as Principal of the College and the Vice President and Barty McFarlane as Secretary for his continued work. All positions were declared vacant and the following officers were elected:

President :	P Dunn
Vice President:	A Alcock
Secretary:	B McFarlane
Treasurer:	B Hannaford
Graduating Year:	No Nomination
2-10 Year Group:	G West
General Committee:	D Chambers, D Manson, P Lewis, H Stephen, A Michelmores, P Fairbrother, B Hannaford, R Carter, P LeLacher, G West
Eyre Peninsula Reps:	P Dunn, J Richards
South East Reps:	Secretary to contact and request a nomination.
Riverland Reps:	Secretary to contact and request a nomination.
Digest Editors:	L Wright
Auditors:	It was <u>resolved</u> that Mr J Messenger of Messenger Zerner be appointed auditor for the coming year. Moved by B McFarlane, Seconded A Michelmores Carried.

SPECIAL REPORT:

The Secretary outlined the responses to the questionnaire which had been received. He had collated these into a table which was circulated and is attached to these Minutes as Annexure C.

5% of the membership responded to the questionnaire. It seems clear from the responses that the majority find the current role of ROCA appropriate. There also appeared to be a reluctance to extend ROCA's role to the whole faculty with the majority of respondents preferring to see it with a direct attachment to the Roseworthy campus. Similarly the majority of respondents felt that at least one year at Roseworthy Campus should be a prerequisite to membership. While there was some support to allow

membership to be opened up to anyone who supported the aims of ROCA this was opposed by over 50% of the respondents.

There seemed to be unanimous support for an increase in membership fees as well as using advertising in the Digest as a means of raising revenue. Finally, the overwhelming majority of respondents wished to see the association continue in its current form with only one respondent supporting a proposition to wind up the association.

The Secretary also pointed out that research was now showing that the most important thing as far as Alumni and Old Scholars Associations was concerned was to keep track of graduates. Even if they were not members it has been found that by having at least one item of correspondence going to graduates per annum, the continued contact paid off in the long run. Significant increases in membership occurred. There was also a corresponding increase in the number of gifts and bequests being made.

The discussion was then thrown open for comment. D Crawford suggested that the most important thing was to get the role of ROCA correct first and then to consider how it might be financed. This is in line with the Treasurer's comments. He also raised the question whether future membership fees should contain a life membership component and an administrative component. A Alcock pointed out that if ROCA supported the faculty then it had been clearly indicated that the faculty would in turn support ROCA. This might take the form of secretarial as well as administrative support. It was clear that Professor Woolhouse saw ROCA as having a very important role in the overall future of the faculty.

It was resolved that the executive would write to all life members canvassing a further donation rather than drawing on the existing life membership reserve funds.

Moved : T Twigdon

Seconded : P Dunn

Carried.

It was also resolved that the executive should take the lead and prepare a final position paper on the future of ROCA which then could be circulated to all members for comment.

Moved : B McFarlane

Seconded : A Alcock

Carried

CLOSURE:

The meeting closed at 7.15pm.