

MINUTES OF R.O.C.A. MEETING HELD ON 29/10/79 AT THE A.W. HOEY RESIDENCE

PRESENT: A. Michelmore J. Jones APOLOGIES: E. Wigney
P. Lewis I. Rice D. Manson
A. Hoey R. Dawkins
Dr. Williams H. Stephen
I. Richards K. Cawley
P. Fairbrother

Minutes of meeting held 12th June were read and passed as a correct record by the meeting.

Business Arising from the Minutes

CORRESPONDENCE

R. M. Steed & G. B. Gallant both R.O.A.R.D.D. diplomats asked that R.O.C.A. take strong action to express disappointment in the College Council's performance.

TREASURERS REPORT

None - E. Wigney absent

GENERAL BUSINESS

Andy Michelmore expressed his concern at the adverse publicity Roseworthy was receiving due to its current financial position. After a short period of discussion on various aspects of the matter by all committee members present, Dr. Williams arrived and addressed the committee on what he considered were the causative factors which had resulted in the current financial position. Some of the more significant factors mentioned were:-

- (a) 3 years of drought and insufficient drought assistance from the Government (State),
- (b) expensive course development and course development which was considered very necessary,
- (c) bed occupancy has been down, reducing income.

Dr. Williams stressed the financial mismanagement had not occurred but the council had embarked on a deliberate course to maintain the standards of education at the risk of going into debt.

John Jones asked that the Director or his representative attend as many meetings as possible. Secretary noted that minutes and meeting notices will be sent to the Director along with normal postings to other executive members.

MOTION:- Proposed J. Jones seconded H. Stephen
That R.O.C.A. send a delegation to the Minister of Agriculture to support the College in its current situation of financial difficulties.
Subsequent to the meeting a press release will be drafted.
Motion carried unanimously.

MOTION:- New R.O.C.A. Award proposed J. Jones Seconded I. Rice
That the executive draw up the terms of reference for the new R.O.C.A. Award, and arrange for the past scholarship to lapse.

SWIMMING POOL

Dr. Williams asked that R.O.C.A. give as much financial support as is possible to the Swimming Pool Fund.

MOTION:- Proposed J. Jones Seconded P. Lewis
That the financial support from R.O.C.A. be directed at the purchase of essential equipment and the appeal be so described.

MOTION:- Proposed J. Jones Seconded P. Lewis
That the current balance in the Swimming Pool Fund be immediately paid to the College and designated as to be used for essential equipment

All the above motions were carried unanimously.

NEXT MEETING - date to be worked out by the executive - will be in the New Year.

J. Jones thanked Dr. Williams for his attendance

Meeting closed - 11.20 P.M.