

MEETING

OLD COLLEGIANS ASSOCIATION COMMITTEE MEETING 2nd December, 1985

(Treasurer at Parliament House, Adelaide.

F.Chapman,

Thistlethwayte

1985

nt: Messrs. H.V. Stephen (President), P.Lewis (Vice President), A.Micheltmore, A.McFarlane, F.Chapman, D.Manson, J.Richards, I.Rice, K.Hayman, R.Mitchell, Dr.B.Thistlethwayte (R.A.C. Director), Dr.N.Richardson (R.A.C. Associate Director).

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me: The President welcomed all who were present. A special welcome was made to Dr. Noel Richardson.

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The minutes of the previous meeting were confirmed as printed Dr. Thistlethwayte/ P.Lewis.

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1. Reply to Q. 210 at a Parliamentary Meeting concerning the number of Agricultural Science Teachers. The letter was read and discussed.
2. Mr Andrew Sneyd-- present Roseworthy student. wrote concerning disappointment at R.A.C. students not playing Australian Rules for Roseworthy. Letter published in mid Summer edition of Digest.

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In the absence of the Treasurer a list of investments were submitted to Mr A.Micheltmore for presentation. After some discussion concerning the location of ROCA's investments in "Aussie Bonds" it was moved by Mr P.Lewis that the Treasurer consult with Mr F.Chapman the possibilities of converting "Aussie Bonds" investment to "Series 22". Dr.B.Thistlethwayte 2nd. Carried.

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Dr.B.Thistlethwayte moved that the accounts presented (Renaissance Centre, Digest printing and postage) be accepted and paid. Mr A.Micheltmore 2nd. Carried.

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Business From Minutes (Meeting held 2.12.85)

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1. Shortage of Agricultural teachers in South Australian Secondary Schools.
Situation has been brought to the attention of Parliament. The number of Agricultural students at secondary schools is increasing however the number of suitably qualified Agricultural Teachers at secondary level is unable to supply this demand.
Mr.P.Lewis asked Dr N.Richardson to comment.
Dr Richardson. There is enough interest from R.A.C. graduates to supply demand, however the government quota of six persons per year is the limiting factor. There has been talk that this quota has recently been changed to fifteen per year and if so Dr Richardson considered this number to be adequate. Market would possibly become flooded if the quota per year was greater.
Mr P.Lewis moved that the Rural Media should become aware of the lack of response from the Ministers of Agriculture and Education to answer ROCA's enquiries of our expressed concerns about the number of trainee positions available to people who wish to become Agricultural Science teachers after completing their training at R.A.C. Mr F.Chapman 2nd, Carried.

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1. Mr B.Wigney computer accounts. An account of \$720.00 was received from Mr B.Wigney for computer services used for ROCA. Discussion concerning the sum and details of the account took place. Mr P.Lewis moved that the account be accepted as it was presented. Mr I.Rice 2nd. Carried. Mr A.Michelmore and Mr D.Mansor expressed that the efficiency of the work undertaken by Mr B.Wigney was very satisfactory.
2. Memorabilia. Mr P.Lewis reported that informal contact had been made with all political parties. Mr Lewis was optimistic about a positive response and will follow up. Mr R.Mitchell suggested that the Old Tassie Library become the Museum for ROCA and RAC archives.
3. Badges. Mr A.Michelmore moved that ROCA order 10 saw pierced badges. Mr P.Lewis 2nd. Carried.
4. Mr R.Mitchell moved that ROCA request from Mr B.Wigney an account for computer services on a six monthly basis. Dr B.Thistlethwayte 2nd. Mr P.Lewis - amendment. Account should be itemised into the number of address changes and any other necessary alterations to present name lists. Mr F.Chapman 2nd. discussion. Amendment lost 9 - 3. Mr I.Rice moved a further amendment. That an itemised account be forwarded to ROCA at a time of publishing of the digest. Mr A.Michelmore 2nd. Amendment carried 11 - 1. Amended motion carried. Mr A.Michelmore moved that R.A.C. be investigated as a possibility to service the need of computer services to ROCA Mr P.Lewis 2nd. Carried.
5. Degree Conversions. Dr N.Richardson addressed the committee concerning Degree in Agricultural Science ; the present course structure, bridging arrangements, that presently no correspondence facility has available, no block course available. Presently no option than to convert Diploma to Degree by attending on College, subjects either Full time or Part time. Only students commencing R.A.C. in 1974 or after are eligible for converting to a Degree. Some government assistance is available for students wishing to undertake Diploma conversion. There is no simple way to prepare any form of correspondence course even for those with sufficient competence for the Degree.
6. Cereal Institute. Mr F.Chapman moved that a loose leaf petition be inserted in the next Digest concerning the retention of Cereal Plant Breeding Programs and Facilities at R.A.C. Dr Thistlethwayte 2nd. Carried.
7. ROCA Signatories. Presently it remains that ROCA office bearers from 1983/4 are signatories to the Association. Carried Forward.
8. Coat of Arms. Mr F.Chapman expressed concern over the adoption of the new College Logo.
9. R.A.C. Painting. Dr B.Thistlethwayte brought to the attention of the committee the availability of an original oil painting of R.A.C.'s main building.

Other Business (Cont.) :

10. Graduation Award. Mr P.Lewis moved that the ROCA graduation award be made unavailable for 1985 and that the money be applied to the above mentioned painting and be presented to the College. Dr B.Thistlethwayte 2nd. Carried.
11. Acknowledgement of Thanks. Mr R.Mitchell moved that Dr N.Richardson be thanked for his contribution to meeting. Mr A.McFarlane 2nd. Carried.

Next Meeting

Monday 17th February, 1986 . 6.30 pm Parliment House.

The President thanked Mr P.Lewis for the use of the venue and services provided.

The President declared the meeting closed - 10.10 pm .

Confirmed.....*P. Lewis*.....President. 17/2/86..