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MINUTES OF MEETING OF THE ROSEWORTHY OLD COLLEGIANS ASSOCIATION HELD ON
THURSDAY 14TH MAY AT PARLIAMENT HOUSE, AT 6.00 PM

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1. Members Present

Dr. B. Thistlethwayte, Messrs. P. Lewis, MP, H. Stephen, A. Michelmores, P. Fairbrother, D. Manson, A. McFarlane, and K. Hayman.

2. Apologies

Mr. G. Mitchell

3. Confirmation of Minutes

RESOLUTION 1 "That the minutes of the previous meeting be accepted, subject to amendments and inclusion of and apology tendered by Mr. A.G. (Bardy) McFarlane)."

(Manson/Stephen)
CARRIED

4. Business Arising from Minutes

4.1 Item 6.1 'Other Business'

Dr. Thistlethwayte advised that the Governing Council of the College had noted the request contained in Resolution 12, that the President of ROCA be a member of Council.

4.2 Item 4.2 'AGM'

Mr. A. Michelmores reported that the Renaissance Centre had been booked for the Annual General Meeting and Dinner to be held in September.

4.3 Item 4.1 'Memorabilia'

Dr. Thistlethwayte advised, that in response to Resolution 4, the College has written to Mr. Chapman, sending a copy of the letter to the Secretary advising that lunch will be available to Mr. Chapman and any other volunteer helpers from ROCA on those days when they work at the College inspecting, preparing and cataloguing the historical records which are presently at the College.

4.4 Item 5.1 'Resolution 10 - Graduation Day'

This item related to the authorization given to the President, Mr. P. Lewis and Mr. A. Michelmores, to purchase prizes for Graduation Day. Mr. Michelmores reported that that the action authorized had been taken and an account for the cost incurred of \$212 was submitted for approval. Mr. Michelmores pointed out that a significant discount from the jewellers whom the College has traditionally used, "Claude Sarre", had been given.

RESOLUTION 2 'That the account be paid.'

(Michelmore/McFarlane)
CARRIED

4.5 'Resolution 11'

Mr. A. Michelmore reported on behalf of the Secretary, Mr. Greg Mitchell, in his absence. The Secretary had visited RAC recently and met with the Student Union Council (S.U.C.) The S.U.C. were keen to get to know more about ROCA and it was suggested that a S.U.C. member be invited to attend ROCA committee meetings as an observer.

It was further suggested that we could enquire about the possibility of holding a Careers Night meeting at R.A.C. in the S.U.C. Building. (A.T.A. has conducted these meeting in past years). The suggestion made by the S.U.C. was that the Old Collegians Association organise a Careers Night in conjunction with or instead of A.T.A. The S.U.C. advised that the Careers Night formerly conducted by A.T.A. was a good idea.

The Treasurer of ROCA, Mr. Peter Fairbrother, who is also President of A.T.A. reported to the meeting that regrettably, it had not been possible for A.T.A. to conduct a Careers Night at the College last year. However, A.T.A. intends to continue conducting "Careers Nights" in the future and suggested that ROCA writes a letter to A.T.A. advising them of our wish to participate.

RESOLUTION 3 'That the Secretary write to the Executive Committee of A.T.A., indicating our willingness to participate in the preparation and presentation of a Careers Night, seeking their response to our offer of assistance to do so.'
(Stephen/Manson)
CARRIED

The President then continued discussion of the point relating to the recruiting of new members to ROCA from new graduates. He pointed out that any difficulties we may be experiencing may be connected to an image problem which ROCA may have with the student body. Moreover, this image problem may not be restricted to the student body, but also extend to the academic staff. He reported a conversation he had on Graduation Day with Dr. V. Squires, the head of the Division of Land Management and Dean of the Faculty of Natural Resources. He also read an article he had written and submitted to the Editor of The Digest for inclusion in the next Digest.

Substantial discussion of the points raised by the President and Mr. Michelmore in his report of the success of the meeting between the Secretary and the S.U.C. then ensued. Finally, a resolution was moved.

RESOLUTION 4 "That Dr. Vic Squires be invited to the next meeting of the Roseworthy Old Collegians Association Executive Committee to present his views of the way in which the Association can help -
(a) the College,
(b) the Division of Land Management, and
(c) Faculty of Natural Resources" (Stephen/Manson)
CARRIED

RESOLUTION 5 "That Mr. A. Michelmores and Mr. P. Fairbrother be asked to consider amendments to the ROCA Constitution which would enable specific inclusion of members on the Committee from graduates of all faculties - by extending the size of the Committee.
(Stephen/Thistlethwayte)

CARRIED

The foregoing motion arose out of discussion of further ideas which were considered by the Committee in trying to identify ways in which the Association could be seen to be more representative and inclusive of all interests and parties graduating from and associated with the College.

In view of the time, and the expressed desire of some members to be excused, the President determined that the matter of the next meeting, date, time, venue and purpose, be considered forthwith.

RESOLUTION 6 "That the next meeting of the Committee be held at the College in the Community Club and that members of the Committee pay for their own meals, but that the Association pays for the meals of the members of the Student Union Council and Dr. V. Squires, all of whom will be invited to join us for Dinner in the Community Club."
(Manson/Thistlethwayte)

CARRIED

The Committee resolved without motion that the Secretary approach the College to see if the Student Union Council costs could be ameliorated by some contribution from other sources.

Following some discussion the Director, Dr. Thistlethwayte, undertook to inform the Committee members, that if the 15th July is unacceptable as a meeting date for any reason whatsoever known to him, then the meeting date be the 16th July.

RESOLUTION 7 "That, subject only to advice from Dr. Thistlethwayte to the contrary, the next meeting will be at 6.30 pm at Roseworthy Agricultural College in the Community Club."

At this point, members of the Committee who wished to be excused took their leave.

5 CORRESPONDENCE

A letter was received from Miss Vicky Hannaford thanking us for the trophy we presented to her for "The best contribution to College sport, not necessarily for performance on the sporting field" and it was resolved that the letter be noted.

6. GENERAL BUSINESS

6.1 Resolution 2 from the Minutes, viz that ROCA accepts Frank ~~Capin~~'s offer to catalogue the memorabilia and reimburse him for the storage costs reasonably incurred in preserving these items be placed on the agenda for discussion at the next meeting. It was noted that around \$100 for short-term storage are anticipated.

6.2 RESOLUTION 8 "That the next Roca Digest be printed commercially." (Michelmore/Stephen)

In explanation of the proposition, the editor, Mr. A. Michelmore, explained that the College Printer had advised him that there was a back-log of work at the College and that it would take some weeks before the Digest could be printed at the College. CARRIED.

6.3 RESOLUTION 9 "That we publish a Collge Wine List in the Digest and discuss with the Director the possibility of obtaining a small contribution from the College for doing so." (Fairbrother/Hayman)
CARRIED

6.4 RESOLUTION 10 'That the Secretary of ROCA investigate the possibility of the College Winery compiling a 'College Dozen' to be offered to (at least) A.T.A. and ROCA members and that the composition of that selection of College wines be published in the Digest.'
(Fairbrother/Hayman)
CARRIED

6.5 RESOLUTION 11 "That the Secretary write to the College seeking their assistance in having the names and addresses of graduating students, and the faculties from which they have graduated, placed on floppy disk, readable by IBM compatible P.C's and commencing with 1986 graduates, made available to ROCA."
(Michelmore/McFarlane)

It was pointed out by the mover and supported by the seconder in when speaking to this motion that, as the membership records were now on floppy disks which could be read by IBM compatible P.C.'s, it would be sensible and desirable to expedite the way in which mailing lists were kept up to date by asking the College if they could provide the Association with the foregoing information. CARRIED

6.6 The Committee resolved that a note of appreciation be recorded in the Minutes for the hospitality of the President in providing the meal and venue.

6.7 RESOLUTION 12 "That the Committee express its formal appreciation for the work done by the President's personal secretary, Mrs. Lenore Triplow, for the arduous task of preparation of computer records of the ROCA Membership List."

(Stephen/Hayman)
CARRIED

7. TREASURER'S REPORT

Credit balance in the current a/c of \$1932.06.

Account for payment to Claude Sarre has been passed for \$212.00.

"That the Financial Report be accepted."

(Fairbrother/McFarlane)
CARRIED

8. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

- 8.1 RESOLUTION 13 "That, at the next meeting, the Committee consider the implications of whether formal qualifications in agricultural science from CAE's or Universities for teachers of agricultural science and allied subjects in secondary schools and TAFE Colleges should be a prerequisite or not."
(Manson/Stephen)

Following some discussion, it was agreed the President should obtain information about this matter from the Minister of Education, the Hon. Greg Crafter and the Minister of Further Education, the Hon. Lynn Arnold. This would enable the Committee to determine what attitude it should express on behalf of the Association - if any - about the current situation in connection with this important concern. If formal tertiary training in agricultural science is not a prerequisite for teaching, then members were of the view that we should express our feelings of dismay and concern about this matter. However, detailed discussion was left to the next meeting.

CARRIED

THE MEETING CLOSED at 9.05 pm.

Confirmed..........(President).....15 July 1987.....(Date)