

ROSEWORTHY OLD COLLEGIANS ASSOCIATION INC

MINUTES OF COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY 27TH APRIL, 1993
AT PARLIAMENT HOUSE COMMENCING AT 6.00 PM

PRESENT:

Messrs P Dunn (Chairman), H Woolhouse, B Butler, A Michelmores, D Manson, H Stephen, P Lewis, A Alcock and A McFarlane, *J. Richards.*

APOLOGIES:

Messrs D Chambers, G West and B Hannaford.

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

The minutes of the previous meeting held on Tuesday 9th February 1993 at Parliament House were read and confirmed.

BUSINESS ARISING:

1. Mini Diplomas.

All of this year's diplomas have been printed and last year's list is now available.

Action: A Alcock, D Manson.

2. Roseworthy Archives.

There has still been no progress. Accordingly, the meeting decided that A Alcock should convene a meeting and H Woolhouse agreed to chair it.

Action: A Alcock.

3. Grandstand Sign.

P Lewis advised that the person who made the original was currently overseas. However, he would be back shortly and P Lewis will follow up.

Action: P Lewis.

4. Award of Merit Badges.

A Michelmores reported that he had received a quote from Allan J Olson:- \$125 plus 30% sales tax making a total of \$162.50 each badge. He is awaiting a quote from Stephens Badges. It was

resolved that A Michelmores be authorised to proceed with purchase on the lowest quote.

Moved: A Alcock
Seconded: H Woolhouse

Carried.

Action: A Michelmores.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT: 1.

Mr Bob McCulloch (former Principal) passed away just prior to Easter. The President attended the funeral on behalf of ROCA. Milton Spurling has been asked to prepare a short article for the Digest on Bob McCulloch's life.

2.

While the President was unable to attend Graduation Day he had heard favourable reports that the day had been very successful.

3.

He had met with the Chancellor of the University, Mr Bill Scammell at Glendambo recently and raised with him the question of allowing Roseworthy students to continue graduating on Roseworthy campus. The Chancellor did not seem opposed to this idea.

SECRETARY'S REPORT:

A written Secretary's Report was tabled and is attached to these Minutes as Annexure A.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

No Treasurer's Report was presented.

GENERAL BUSINESS: 1.

Chewings Bequest.

There is to be a substantial upgrading and landscaping of the Roseworthy Campus shortly. Whilst no site has yet been chosen it may be possible for some of this landscaping to be used in conjunction with the location of the Chewings Bequest Barbeque Area. A Alcock reported that he was keen to involve the Student Union Council in the consideration of the location of the Bequest site.

Action: A Alcock.

2. Review of ROCA.

Resolved that the Secretary prepare the review paper to be included in the current Digest.

Moved: B Butler
Seconded: D Manson
Carried.

Action: A McFarlane.

3. Copy of ROCA Digest

This will be out shortly. Brad Butler has obtained 7 advertisers for this edition. This should cover between 60% and 70% of the total cost of the Digest.

Advertising cost \$50 for a quarter column. At the back of the Digest there will be a list of each of the advertisers with a short description of the business and the principals.

4. Names for the Brass Plaques in the Foyer.

Currently there are three Award of Merit recipients and two Presidents' names to be put on the plaques. P Lewis advised that the original nameplates were obtained from overseas and that the Australian version would be extremely expensive. All options should be investigated and the cheapest alternative found.

Action: P Lewis

5. ROCA Membership List.

Dale Manson has organised for the ROCA Name and Address List to be put on the Alumni computer. There is also the opportunity to include additional information such as the course, current occupation, etc. The Alumni will then be able to produce sticky labels (at cost). The Chief Executive Officer of the Alumni, Mr Geoff Sauer, was keen that there should be a closer tie between ROCA, the Alumni and the Ag Science Chapter. In this regard

the President advised that he was to attend a meeting on 7th May at which representatives for the various Alumni committees were being sought. It was suggested that P Dunn, D Manson and B McFarlane be ROCA's reps on any of these committees.

6. Membership Fees.

The Secretary raised the question of an increase in membership fees. It was decided to put it on the Agenda Sheet for the next meeting.

7. ROCA Membership Records.

Resolved that D Manson and H Stephen consider what fundamental information was required for the records and to prepare for distribution to members a sheet to obtain this information.

Moved: A McFarlane
Seconded: P Lewis
Carried.

Action: D Manson, H Stephen.

Both D Manson and H Stephen were commended on the initiative taken thus far in putting Roseworthy's Membership List onto the Alumni computer.

8. Oval Name.

A Alcock advised at a meeting of campus development on 8th March 1993 the question of a name for the hockey and rugby ground was raised. It was suggested the matter be referred to ROCA for their consideration. It was decided that members should give consideration for an appropriate name and to put the matter on the Agenda for the next meeting.

9. Dean's Report.

As an update to the previous report, the Dean advised that the agricultural Business Course was fully subscribed, the laboratory extensions had been completed on time and that the split of agricultural technology into

agronomy and farming systems at Roseworthy and part of it to the Animal Science & Production Unit at Waite was well under way. Further discussions were taking place with the Department of Primary Industry and S.A.R.D.I. over the establishment of a Management Board to oversee the combined poultry and piggery units on Roseworthy Campus. This is a matter which will probably have to be referred to Cabinet.

On a confidential basis the Dean advised that the Faculty had been able to purchase an additional 180 acres of the Buckley land to add to the Roseworthy Campus. In addition the balance of the Buckley land will continue to be leased as part of the Campus land.

10. Graduation Day.
Prizes - Mini Diplomas.

Lengthy discussion took place regarding possible Graduation Days at Roseworthy Campus in the future. The Dean advised that he would be absolutely opposed to a separate graduation on the Roseworthy Campus. He did so on the basis that it would be divisive given that there were three Campuses over which the Faculty operated. P Lewis expressed opposition, noting that a separate graduation would be extremely expensive and that in all probability the University Council would not support such a move.

Given that this was the situation a discussion then ensued over perhaps a separate Faculty prize giving. Such an event could be a function which is held alternately at the Waite and Roseworthy Campus's. It could involve both the Alumni and ROCA and open up the campus to visitors. As part of that discussion the relevance and needs of prizes for such a ceremony was also canvassed. Finally it was considered that a review ought to take place of the current prize-giving by

ROCA and the Faculty and the appropriateness to continue them.

It was resolved that the Secretary would write to the Faculty Board and suggest that a working party with 3 representatives from each of ROCA, the Alumni and the Faculty be established to examine the prizes previously given by Roseworthy, ROCA and the Faculty and their presentation.

Moved: P Lewis
Seconded: H Stephen
Carried.

Action: A McFarlane.

In the event that the Faculty pick up on this suggestion it was resolved that ROCA's reps on this Committee should be P Lewis, D Chambers and A Alcock.

In addition to this it was resolved that the future of the Mini Diploma Scheme should be referred to the group considering prizes and it should be done in conjunction with the Alumni.

Moved: P Lewis
Seconded: H Woolhouse
Carried.

D Manson expressed a view, that was generally supported, that the Mini Diploma should be kept for so long as Roseworthy Campus students could be identified.

The Dean then indicated that he was keen to have the next meeting at the Waite Campus, followed by a buffet dinner and then a joint meeting with the Alumni and the Heads of Departments. This would then allow a "free-wheeling" discussion on how the Alumni and ROCA could support the Faculty.

11. Next Meeting.

The next meeting of the Committee would be held on Tuesday 29th June 1993 at Meeting Room 2 in the Hawker

Centre at the Waite Institute,
Fullarton Road, Urrbrae commencing at
6.00 pm with a buffet meal at 7.30 pm.

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SECRETARY'S REPORT

COMMITTEE MEETING ON 27th April 1993

1. CORRESPONDENCE

I have received a letter from the Eyre Peninsula branch advising that their Annual General Meeting passed a Resolution expressing support for the continuation of ROCA with such modifications to membership as is necessary.

2. AMENDMENTS TO THE STUDENT ORIENTATION BOOKLET

Attached to this report is a copy of the amended document which was sent up to Roseworthy for inclusion in the Orientation Handbook. I would be interested in members comments.

3. 1993 COMMEMORATION DAY CEREMONY

I was fortunate enough to be invited to address the last scheduled graduation on Roseworthy campus. It appears that the many students who have lived and worked on campus are keen to graduate at that venue. I believe with the support of ROCA the students may be able to convince the University to allow future graduations to continue at Roseworthy.

4. MERGER OUTCOMES REVIEW

The University Council has established a Committee (myself, Prof. Falcolner and Janine Haynes) to review the outcome of the mergers of SA College of Advanced Education (SACAE), and the University of Adelaide and Roseworthy Agricultural College and the University of Adelaide. Written submissions have been called for and received. The Committee will be hearing representations on the three campuses, (Adelaide, WAIT and Roseworthy) in the coming weeks. The Review is due to report to the University Council in July. ROCA did not make a written submission. However, I would be pleased to have any input from the committee if there are matters which they believe should be raised.

ROSEWORTHY OLD COLLEGIANS ASSOCIATION

Roseworthy Old Collegians Association (R.O.C.A.) maintains an important link between former students and the Roseworthy Campus.

It was established in 1896, shortly after the Agricultural College was founded. Currently there are in excess of 1400 members of the Association.

For many students, the period spent at Roseworthy makes up the most important years of their life.

The education in agriculture, natural resources and oenology received at Roseworthy has set thousands of graduates on a career path that often leads to a place in the community as leaders in their field of endeavour.

With the merger of Adelaide University with Roseworthy Agricultural College in 1991, ROCA became an affiliated chapter of the University Alumni. This has opened up membership of ROCA to a wider cross section of people.

The contribution made by Roseworthy graduates to South Australian agriculture over the past century has been enormous.

Names like Eastick, Seppelt, Gramp and Dawkins are all associated with RAC, as well as the success of South Australia.

The Old Collegians Association not only has a commitment to keep the College history alive, but it also maintains an important role as a body that fights for the future of Roseworthy Campus and Roseworthy College (the Halls of residence on Campus).

Members of the Old Collegians are concerned to ensure that Roseworthy is allowed to continue to provide the high quality broad based rural education for which it has become widely renowned.

ROCA is an effective platform upon which to pursue this concern.

The Old Collegians actively lobby politicians, bureaucrats and academics on issues affecting the Campus and the College.

Recently this has included submissions on issues such as the establishment of the residential College and the restructuring of tertiary institutions.

ROCA also provides the campus and the faculty with financial support.

Scholarships and awards have been funded by ROCA and Old Collegians have given strong financial support to numerous Roseworthy Campus projects, like the swimming pool.

Members receive four "ROCA Digests" per year to keep you in touch with what other Old Collegians are doing and what's happening on Campus.

Each September, the "social highlight" of the ROCA membership is the annual dinner and reunion.

Regional reunions are also held in the South East, Riverland and Eyre Peninsula and at a number of interstate locations.

Life membership is available so why not join the thousands of other graduates as members of the Old Collegians Association. Qualification for membership is one year at Roseworthy Campus, so most current students are eligible to join immediately. If you'd like to enjoy the benefits of ROCA, contact the President or Secretary now!

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