

ROSEWORTHY OLD COLLEGIANS ASSOCIATION INC.

**MINUTES OF COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY, 29TH JUNE 1993
AT THE HAWKER CENTRE, MEETING ROOM 2
WAITE INSTITUTE COMMENCING AT 6.00PM**

PRESENT: Messrs P Dunn (Chairman), H Woolhouse, P Fairbrother, A McFarlane, H Stephen, A Michelmore, P Lewis, B Chambers, A Alcock, G West, D Manson, J Richards, B Butler

APOLOGIES: Messrs P Caldwell (Student Union Council), B Hannaford and P LeLacheur

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES: Minutes of the previous meeting held on Tuesday, 27th April 1993 at Parliament House were read and confirmed.

BUSINESS ARISING: 1. **Mini Diplomas**

These were presented at Graduation and those not presented have been sent out by post. The 1992 mini diplomas are still being processed and will be sent out in due course.

We should receive an account from Roseworthy for the preparation and processing of the mini diplomas.

2. **Award of Merit Badges**

A Michelmore reported that Stephens Badges would not provide a quote. It was therefore decided to purchase the badges from Olson and five have been ordered at a cost of \$162.50 each.

3. **Roseworthy Archives**

See Secretary's report attached. Professor Woolhouse has indicated that the faculty is prepared to provide some assistance with the accommodation of the archival materials. In his opinion it should be airconditioned. He also advised that the faculty is considering whether Farm Tourism should be part of the course and the archives could be relevant as an educational tool. A Michelmore expressed concern that items donated would be lost to the Old Collegians. Prof. Woolhouse advised that the faculty has developed computer based archive records for the Waite Institute Campus Archives and the intention is to

extend that to Roseworthy. If the materials are properly identified then access can be controlled.

P Dunn noted that a lot of the machinery which is being restored is outside in the weather and suggested we should approach industry to gain support for additional storage space.

4. **Review of ROCA**

See Secretary's report

SECRETARY'S REPORT:

Written secretary's report was tabled and is attached to these minutes as Annexure 'A'.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Treasurer reported again that there had been a loss this year. It is obvious that we are continuing to lose money on an annual basis. Further discussion on finances was deferred to general business. The account for the payment of the award of merit badges was approved. It was resolved to reinvest \$5,000.00 for 90 days at 5% provided it was within the frame work of the constitution.

Moved H Woolhouse

Seconded P Lewis

Carried.

GENERAL BUSINESS:

1. **Membership Fees**

A number of members of the Committee made comments. These are summarised as follows:-

P Lewis - Membership fee should be increased but it may depend on the long term view of the future of ROCA and it may be appropriate to wait until the responses are received from members.

D Chambers advised that there were 28 new life members joined last year, however in his opinion life membership fees will not resolve the overall financial problems. He also pointed out that 75% of all funds in investments will mature this year with interest rates going from 14% to 5% on reinvestment.

P Dunn - \$40.00 life membership fee is too low and the reduction in interest rates is going to take substantial income to offset.

J Richards - one possible solution would be to put out the Digest separately and charge members for each edition.

D Manson - ROCA has a significant value in non-monetary terms in that it assists in keeping track of all graduates.

Despite extensive discussion no resolution was put. The general consensus was that while an increase in the annual membership fee was probably justified, it would do little to resolve the Association's overall financial position. So long as the Constitution prevented use of the capital derived from life memberships.

2. **Oval Name**

A Alcock advised that a proposal for the naming of the Rugby/Hockey Oval arose at a campus development meeting in 1992. No name has yet been chosen. He suggested that perhaps ROCA should suggest that future naming of facilities on campus have some historic connection with the site.

Professor Woolhouse supported ROCA giving their view and suggested ROCA sub-committee should give thought to who has given distinguished service to either ROCA or sport on the campus.

It was resolved that A Alcock would prepare a discussion paper on what principals should be applied in making such recommendations.

Moved : Prof Woolhouse
Seconded : A Michelmores
Carried.

3. **Old Collegians Archival Material**

In response to a letter from the campus manager, (M Zobel) of the 24th May 1993 the Committee while supporting the aims suggested, declined to be involved at this stage. Rather a consolidated approach from the whole faculty would be the better option. It was noted that M Zobel had been invited to the meeting with the Gawler Historical Machinery Restorers Society but was unable to attend. Whilst some of the materials had already been catalogued it had only been roughly done. H Stephen expressed concern that there was a large amount of ROCA material in amongst the college archive

material including the early minute books of the Association. Arguably these need to be kept separate.

4. **Silver Cup**

A Michelmores advised that he has a silver sports cup in safe storage at his place.

5. **Letter of Thanks**

A Alcock advised that Amanda Keogh has provided great assistance in the preparation of distribution of the mini diplomas and requested that the secretary write a letter of thanks to her.

6. **Vacancy on Roseresco Management Advisory Committee**

A Alcock advised that Stephen Ball who was our representative on the Committee is no longer on campus. It was resolved that Amanda Slipper fill the casual vacancy as ROCA's representative on the Roseresco Management Advisory Committee.

Moved : A Alcock
Seconded : G West
Carried

7 **Faculty Board**

P Fairbrother advised that he had not been receiving any information on faculty meetings. Prof Woolhouse undertook to follow this up and to make sure that information was provided and that P Fairbrother is notified of meetings.

8 **Graham Wishart**

P Fairbrother advised that well known Old Collegian Graham Wishart had passed away. A short article should be prepared for the Digest.

NEXT MEETING: Next meeting of the Committee would be held on Tuesday, 17th August 1993 at Parliament House commencing at 6.00pm.

Annexure 11

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Secretary's Report

Committee meeting Tuesday 29th of June 1993

1. Correspondence

I received a letter from Maurie Zoebel, Campus Manager, Roseworthy Campus, regarding possible ROCA involvement in the Open Day on Campus on Sunday the 10th October 1993 (copy attached). He also raises the question of sorting of some historical records and photographs. It is unclear from the letter whether that is material which is different to that stored in the attic, which has already been put in archive boxes by the ROCA Committee.

2. Roseworthy Archives

I attended a meeting with Peter Dunn, Alan Alcock, Harold Woolhouse and two representatives of the Gawler Machinery Restorers Society at Roseworthy on Tuesday the 22nd of June 1993 to discuss the museum on campus and the archival material currently in the attic.

The Society is to present a copy of a plan for the proposed site development (around the old dairy). Consideration is also being given to storage/display of the archival material (currently in the attic) at the museum complex.

The committee would like to consider whether ROCA can support the museum by arranging sponsorship or running a special appeal.

The ad hoc committee will meet again once this other information has been provided.

Following the meeting we had an opportunity to inspect the current displays. They are extremely well presented.

3. Review of ROCA

I prepared the review paper on the Future of ROCA for inclusion in the Digest. I also included a simple questionnaire seeking responses from members (this was sent to the Digest Committee on the 4th of May for inclusion in the next Digest).

4. ROCA Prize Giving

I wrote to the Faculty regarding a review of the future of prizes and the prize giving ceremony at graduation (Copy enclosed). So far I have had no response.

5. Access to ROCA membership list

I have been contacted by a research assistant to the Deputy Vice Chancellor (Academic) at the University. She wishes to have access to our address list of recent graduates to enable them to carry out research on employment levels of graduates. Apparently the University list is too hard to access and incomplete!

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