

ROSEWORTHY OLD COLLEGIANS ASSOCIATION

Committee meeting 17-3-97

Minutes of the meeting of the ROCA committee held at Microbial Technologies Ltd, 18 King St Norwood, on Monday March 17 at 8.00 pm.

Present

Allan Alcock, David Cooper, Peter Fairbrother, Brian Hannaford, Bardy McFarlane, Andrew Michelmores, David Taplin.

Apologies

James Holland, Dale Manson, Harry Stephen, Mia Stephens.

Minutes

The minutes of the meeting held on September 16 at Roseworthy College were circulated. It was noted that Graham Brookman's name was incorrectly spelt. The minutes were then adopted.

Moved: Allan Alcock Seconded: David Cooper

Business arising from the minutes

1. The 1996 AGM increased the life membership subscription to \$60.
2. Allan Alcock recommended that the Award of Merit recipient's dinner become an annual event.
3. Bardy McFarlane suggested that a photo of David Riceman be obtained for the ROCA Digest. David graduated in 1931 and is the oldest living Award of Merit recipient.

President's report

David Cooper tabled a list of current committee members. It was thought that several names were missing. The minutes of the AGM should be obtained from Mia Stephens to check the list with the names of those elected to the committee.

The President and family attended the Eyre Peninsula dinner and picnic. The attendance at the dinner was down due to the hot weather. Neil Cordon was elected President of the EP sub branch with Peter Dunn and Andrew Michelmores EP representatives.

There is no longer automatic membership of College residents to ROCA. A copy of a letter, over the President's signature, has gone out with the bond refund inviting eligible students to join ROCA. The lack of compulsion to join ROCA may seriously affect finances. Previously about 100 students joined ROCA resulting in about \$5,000 in subscriptions.

David Taplin suggested that the President write a letter of congratulations to eligible students, prior to graduation in 1998, and invite them to join ROCA.

Someone from ROCA could also address the students on the benefits of ROCA membership.

It was resolved that David Cooper and Mia Stephens liaise with David Taplin re a suitable time to visit Roseworthy College to talk to students and to organise a letter to send to eligible students re ROCA membership.
Moved: Brian Hannaford Seconded: Allan Alcock.

It was also resolved that the President write to the Board of Roseworthy College emphasising ROCA's role in supporting the activities of the College and maintaining contact between members and the College, and requesting that ROCA life membership, with the appropriate subscription, be available to students unless they nominate not to join.
Moved: Bardy McFarlane Seconded: Brian Hannaford

Treasurer's report

Current account balance \$4,883.81. There were no outstanding accounts for payment. About \$38,000 is invested earning about \$2,000 in interest. Currently interest rates are low.

The last ROCA Digest cost about \$1,700 to print and post.

The 1997 ROCA AGM and dinner is planned for Friday September 26. This date will be confirmed by the treasurer.

Faculty report

Peter Fairbrother gave a brief report. The last Faculty Board meeting was cancelled. At the previous meeting concern was expressed about an expected reduction in student enrollments.

Digest report

Bardy McFarlane stated that two digests will be necessary before the AGM. For the next issue he would like a President's report, photos and report of the 1996 AGM and reunion dinner, gala dinner report, College report, promotion of the ROCA centenary, snippets on the 1997 committee, EP reunion dinner report and photos and a nomination form for the 1997 Award of Merit. Letters to the Editor would also be accepted.

Award of Merit

Allan Alcock tabled a draft of the proposed changes to the rules and conditions. Nominations are to be in by June 30.

College report

Vintage work will be conducted in the winery this year. This will help with students being in residence during this period.

Good income is being generated from conference activities. Aiming at a niche market with D Bd Br less than \$50.

ROCA Centenary

It was suggested that a sub-committee be formed to organise events for the centenary. It should also be promoted in the ROCA Digest.

David Taplin suggested that a thumbnail sketch of people on the Award of Merit honour roll be prepared for the centenary.

General business

Brian Hannaford received another legal opinion on bequests and gave this information to Bardy McFarlane.

The committee reaffirmed the appointment of Bardy McFarlane to the Board of ROSERESCO.

Moved: Allan Alcock Seconded: Brian Hannaford Carried

Andrew Michelmore to price new gold medals.

The meeting closed at 11.00 pm.