



**Roseworthy Old Collegians Association Inc.**

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**Minutes of Meeting held at Microbial Technologies 7<sup>th</sup> November 2005**

**Opening:**

The President opened the meeting at 7.00pm and welcomed all present.

**Present:**

Mark Seeliger [President], Phil Hynd, David Cooper [Treasurer], Dale Manson, Denys Slee, Ray Taylor, Harry Stephen, Darren Koopman [Secretary], Peter Dunn, Ron Tuckwell [by invitation].

**Apologies:** Peter Day, Wilf Bowen, Ben Fleet

**Absent:**

**Minutes:**

Minutes of meeting held at Roseworthy Campus on 12<sup>th</sup> September were taken as read (Moved Dale, seconded Ray).

**Business arising:**

Honour boards need to be updated (Darren to follow up)  
Wilf was invited to the Sports Dinner as Guest speaker. ROCA sports award was given to Kerry Allen.

**Correspondence:**

Letter from David Stanley re annual reunion dinner

**Alumni Report:**

Mark attended the last <sup>combined</sup> board meeting, and also attended the 50 year graduates day.

**Finance**

Treasurer reported:

Cheque account balance \$6183-10

Net profit from the dinner was \$2463-72.

Corkage proved difficult to collect at dinner, not recommended in future.

There has been seven new members since the last meeting.

Moved David, Seconded Harry that the Finance report be accepted

**EP Branch Report:**

Committee has not determined where the next reunion will be held. At this stage it will most likely be at Port Lincoln.

A small group of ROCA members spent three days helping with fencing repairs after the bushfires.

**Roseworthy Fund:**

The sub committee to investigate the launch has been formed and have met three times. Dr Mike Keller was nominated as the dean's representative.

The date for the launch has been set as Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> February 2006.

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The Vice Chancellor and Robert de Crespigny will be the guest speakers.

The venue is likely to be the showgrounds.

Need to finalise the guest list, and establish a mailing list before the end of the year.  
(Total number approx 200) Committee members to send a list of possible guests to Mark by the end of November.

The scholarship sub committee have not met; they will meet prior to the next meeting.

Still no commitment from Elders as major sponsor.

Two papers were circulated to the meeting regarding categories of membership and a description of what the initial funding will be used for. These can be used for the production of a brochure.

The suggestion was made that as no major sponsor had been secured and current funds available are limited that the launch of the fund should be postponed. After a lengthy discussion the following motion was put to the meeting.

*"The ROCA committee inform the co patrons of the fund*

*a) that a public launch should not be held until a major sponsor is arranged.*

*b) given the provision of money from a sponsor is gained, a professional fundraiser be engaged."*

Moved Denys, Seconded Peter. Carried

It was suggested that it may be appropriate to get someone to our next meeting to discuss how to go about fundraising.

#### **AGM and Annual Dinner 2005:**

Minutes of the AGM were reviewed in preparation for the 2006 AGM.

##### Business arising from the minutes.

The motion put at the AGM regarding membership needs to be addressed. It was seen as being underway through current committee activities.

The committee currently has one extra member according to the constitution.

##### Dinner format

Good attendance of year groups.

Need to review the structure of the program; speeches while people are eating may be an alternative.

Give consideration to shortening year group presentations

#### **Membership:**

Moved Harry, Seconded Dale that the discussion regarding membership and the digest be deferred to a separate meeting. Carried

Membership meeting: Monday 28<sup>th</sup> November at 7.00pm.

#### **Other Business:**

Phil Hynd presented a report of campus activities to the meeting (copy attached).

It was decided that a group should meet with the dean to follow up some of the comments raised in the Directors report. Eg Movement of Natural Resource Management students and Animal Science students from Roseworthy to other Campuses.

A wine and grape industry celebration is planned for 2007 to acknowledge achievements of Roseworthy Wine graduates.

Meeting closed at 9.20pm

#### **Next Meeting:**

Monday December 5<sup>th</sup> 2005

6.00pm Alma Hotel

7.00pm Microbial Technologies Boardroom, 18 King Street, Norwood

*M. T. Sealy* *Chairman*  
5/12/05

## ROCA meeting 7/11/05

### Current Campus activities

1. Pork CRC opening- \$80mill total research activity centred on nutrition and delivering an internationally competitive Pork industry. This was an important win for the Campus in a highly-competitive environment. Cements the focus of the Campus in animal biotechnology
2. Agriculture student numbers increase against the national trend- 50 vs 45 last year when all others going down! Revamp of the agriculture courses will focus agriculture at Roseworthy with Food, Wine and Natural Resources at Waite. I am very keen to establish Agri-Business as a degree program at Roseworthy alongside Agriculture and Animal Sciences
3. Siemens Science experience school students to visit campus in November
4. High-profile sheep research related to the PETA campaign against Mulesing continuing- field trials of Roseworthy research to commence next month in Armidale and Orange NSW and a pain-assessment trial in Werribee Vic.
5. across the Campus there is currently approx \$3mill of externally-funded research underway in Agronomy and Animal Science.
6. a new Discipline group has been formed at Roseworthy combining the 2 departments of Agronomy and Farming Systems and Animal Sciences into a single Discipline of Agricultural and Animal Sciences.
7. the Veterinary Sciences review committee has met and made the following recommendations:
  - the proposal for establishing veterinary science at Roseowrthy should be pursued further
  - a project officer should be employed full-time to drive the process
  - it is envisaged the program will most likely be a postgraduate degree called the Doctor of Veterinary Medicine
  - committee will meet again before the end of the year
  - this is not a trivial exercise (the capital investment is of the order of \$15-20 mill, with 400 students to make it sustainable)

Prof Phil Hynd  
(Director of Roseworthy Campus)