

ROSEWORTHY OLD COLLEGIANS ASSOCIATION INC

COMMITTEE MEETING

MINUTES

Monday 20th April 2015 at 6.00pm

FREE Eyre LTD Meeting Room, Hutt Street, Adelaide

- 1 Welcome:** Light meal 6.00pm until 6.30pm
- 2 Apologies:** Ray Taylor, Fiona Hill, Adam Stone
- 3 Present:** Mark Rodda, Dale Manson, Dick Turnbull, Dave Spencer, Rob Smyth, Don Chambers (Alan Richardson, via Skype) Rosanne Curtis (minutes)
- 4 Confirmation of Minutes:** 23 February 2015 - accepted Ray T, seconded Dale M
- 5 Business arising from Minutes:**
- 5.1 No amendments required (thank you Alan R for producing these minutes)
- 5.2 Honor Board
- Dave S handling the project. Original plaques received were the wrong size and so are being recut (at supplier's cost)
- 6 Correspondence:** No formal correspondence notes, but extensive correspondence from various committee members and their respective projects.
- 7 Treasurer's Report:** Dick reported on the healthy and growing state of ROCA's finances, largely due to the ongoing sales of Plonky's Pick and national sponsorship contributions.
- 8 Roseworthy Campus Student Fund:** Ray advised the Committee of the imminent conclusion of the existing RCSF agreement with the University at the end of June. It is envisaged that the RCSF will be joined in a new group encompassing all agricultural pursuits within the broader Alumni, and likely to be known as the 'Agricultural Education Fund'
- 9 Adelaide Alumni and Membership:**
- Dale updated the Committee on the regular stream of new and re-engaged members, but also on the many Roseworthy students of all age groups who are proud of their Roseworthy education, but not engaged with ROCA.
- ROCA continues to be the most active group within the University's Alumni but must continually revisit how it remains relevant to the very diverse members and potential new members.
- The Alumni Council continues to consider and establish its role and direction to add value to the Alumni and University.
- 10 West Coast ROCA Branch:** David will attend the WC Annual Dinner on Saturday night, 25 June
- 11 South East ROCA Branch:** Alan advised the Committee of the forthcoming annual South East Dinner to be held at Patrick of Coonawarra on Friday 24 July. Paul Symonds (RDA 1972) will be the guest speaker.
- 12 Riverland ROCA Branch:** Dale informed the Committee of the upcoming Riverland Dinner, to be held at Ruston's Roses on 29 May. Richard Fewster (RDA) will be the guest speaker. Rob Smyth to work with Dale to coordinate the event.

13. ANZAC Day commemorations

Dick reported to the Committee on the extensive plans for this important event on Sunday 26 April at Roseworthy Campus. Around 100 people have accepted the invitation to attend the event, including the Vice Chancellor, Karen Redman Mayor of Gawler and Tony Picollo, MP – all of whom will lay a wreath at the foot of the new ROCA flagpole in the grounds of the Roseworthy Chapel. The Barossa Lighthorse Brigade (18/23 Regiment) will offer a demonstration prior to lunch. On behalf of the ROCA Committee, Mark extended his sincere thanks to Dick for his outstanding effort and planning of the ANZAC commemoration event

14 General Business:

- 14.1 ROCA Digest: Mark provided a copy of the Autumn 2015 Digest – this is to be distributed to members electronically / hard copy this week. A big thank you to all contributors and Wall Studios for their impressive design work. Future Digest's require a generic 'advert' searching for 'lost' members.
- 14.2 Sponsors: Mark updated the Committee on the ongoing support of Sponsors William Buck and Wall Studios. Both groups are pleased with the value for money they receive from their sponsorship. It was suggested that Finlayson's Lawyers may be worth approaching
- 14.3 ROCA website: Alan continues to be ROCA's pivotal contact with the University in all ROCA website matters – please submit any ideas to Alan Implementing an online booking function for ROCA events will be explored by Alan (with assistance from Dale)
- 14.4 EP / FREE Eyre scholarship: Mark informed the Committee of FREE Eyre's "Clipsal" client event that was held at the FREE Eyre office on the weekend of the 28 Feb / 1 March. Along with seven companies and service groups associated with FREE Eyre, auctions and individual donations, approximately \$5,000 was raised for a future Eyre Peninsula Agricultural Scholarship.
- 14.5 Notification of changes to Constitution: Mark / Dick advised the Committee that due to some administrative challenges, the timing of the notification of changes to the ROCA constitution had been missed. Submitting these changes now would incur substantial costs and thus it was agreed to resubmit the previously agreed changes at the next AGM for ratification and submission.

14.6 Prof Wayne Hein to meet ROCA: Mark has invited Wayne to meet the ROCA Committee at forthcoming meetings and subject to his availability, he will gladly accept.

14.7 Annual Dinner / AGM: Per normal, Ray has astutely locked in the Glenelg Golf Club for the AGM and Annual Dinner on Friday 16 October 2015.

14.8 Dick to investigate a future ROCA Committee meeting to be held at the Naval & Military Club, Hutt Street.

14.9 ROCA Linkedin: Don and Rosanne to establish a ROCA Linkedin page as another means to connect with the current and former Roseworthy graduates.

Other Business:

Next Meeting: Monday 15 June 2015