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Emeritus Faculty
The Australian National University

Minutes of the third meeting of the Committee for the Emeritus Faculty held on 21 March 2000 at 4.00 pm in the Fellows Room, University House

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Present: Rafe de Crespigny, John Molony, Giles Pickford, Beryl Rawson.

Apologies: Allan Barton, Anthony Low, Bob Gollan, Maev O'Collins, Peter Stewart, Gerard Ward.

Welcome: The Chair welcomed David Hambly to his first meeting of the Faculty.

1. Report

The report of the second meeting was confirmed.

2. Business Arising from the Report

2.1 University Recognition

In his letter apologising that he could not attend the meeting, Anthony Low reported that he had spoken to the Vice-Chancellor about the proposed Faculty and that the Vice-Chancellor had been interested and supportive of the concept.

2.2 Committee Structure

The meeting decided that it would adopt a three level structure. The first being the Executive, the second the Committee and the third being the broad membership of the Faculty. The first and the second levels would in future be elected at the Annual General Meeting of the Faculty.

It also agreed that for the purposes of setting up the Provisional Committee, which would administer the Faculty until the first AGM, the members would comprise all those people who had attended any of the first three meetings of the Faculty.

It also resolved that the Provisional Executive would consist of the following people who would hold office until the first AGM:

Chair: John Molony
Deputy Chair: Beryl Rawson
Treasurer: The Master of University House *ex officio*
Secretary: Giles Pickford

The office of Treasurer is held *ex officio* by The Master so that the collection and management of funds can be easily incorporated in the day to day work of the House at minimum cost and effort by the Faculty.

The Secretary announced that he would be shortly moving into a room which his business was about to rent from the House, and that he would ensure that the Faculty Emeritus had a desk in that room for members to use in pursuit of their interests.

2.3 Membership Fee and the GST

After discussing alternatives the meeting agreed that:

(i) it would adopt a January-December calendar year
(ii) it would strike a fee of $10 for members who are currently paid up members of University House and a fee of $40 for those who are not; for the period April to December 2000.
(iii) it may strike a fee of $75 for the calendar year 2001, subject to a review of the University House membership fee and the GST.

3. Publicity

The meeting agreed that the Secretary would draft three reports (i) *for Members Notes* which University House would distribute to its members within a fortnight, (ii) for the *National Graduate* which is due out on 18 April and distributed to 25,000 alumni, (iii) for the next edition of *ANU Reporter*. The drafts would be checked by the Executive prior to publication.

4. Faculty Program

The meeting discussed a draft program for the Faculty to initiate during the course of this year. It will consist of the following components:

4.1 Launch

Rafe de Crespigny will discuss with the Chancellor the idea that he should launch the Faculty at a cocktail party on a Wednesday night, with those that choose to, proceeding on to House Dinner.

The launch would consist of an introduction by the Chair, explaining the concept of the Emeritus Faculty, followed by the Chancellor discussing the future of Universities in Australia in general and the ANU in particular.

4.2 Annual Dinner

To be held at University House later in the year.

4.3 Lecture Series

The following topics were discussed and deferred to a later meeting for more discussion:

(i) an address by the Vice-Chancellor looking back over his term of office and his thoughts for the future of ANU,
(ii) an address by Professor Richards, Deputy Vice-Chancellor examining the workings of the new structure of the Faculties,

(iii) an address by Mr Burgess, Pro Vice-Chancellor on the financial management of the ANU,

(iv) an address by a member of Council's Buildings and Grounds Committee on the campus plan,

(v) addresses by the Librarian and the Head of Student Recruitment,

(vi) addresses on various topics some of which might be industrial relations, the role of the AVCC, Universities and Industry, the Private University, Universities in the UK, Universities in the USA and the very successful Irish University system.

4.4 Summer Schools

The meeting agreed that it would attempt to revive the ANU Summer School for Science Teachers and initiate a Summer School for Humanities Teachers.

To initiate the former, it was agreed that the Secretary would arrange a meeting between Mike Gore of CPAS and Peter Stewart, Rafe de Crespigny and himself.

To initiate the latter, it was agreed that John Molony and Beryl Rawson would meet with Ian McCalman of the HRC.

5. Honorary Fellows

This question was deferred to the next meeting.

6. Next Meeting

The next meeting will be held on Wednesday 12 April at 4.00 pm in the Fellows' Room, University House.

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