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Emeritus Faculty
The Australian National University

Minutes of the fifth meeting of the Committee for the Emeritus Faculty held on 10 May 2000 at 4.00 pm in the Fellows Room, University House

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Present: John Molony (Chair), Beryl Rawson (Deputy Chair), Rafe de Crespigny (Treasurer), Bob Gollan, Colin Plowman, David Hambly, Giles Pickford (Secretary).

1. Apologies:
Gerard Ward, Maev O'Collins.

2. Minutes
The minutes of the fourth meeting were confirmed.

3. Business Arising from the Minutes

3.1 Aims
The Committee agreed to alter the first sentence of the Aims as follows: Change 'Former Staff' to 'Former academic and general staff'.

3.2 Literature Search
Colin Plowman reported that he had begun the literature search promised at the last meeting. There are number of Universities mostly in the USA which have varying degrees of involvement by former staff. Unfortunately the ANU does not subscribe to the 'Chronicle of Higher Education' so getting a great deal of detail is not going to be easy. He concluded that he would get as much information as he could by the next meeting.

3.3 Launch Function
Rafe de Crespigny indicated that the admission cost for the Chancellor's Inauguration of the Faculty Emeritus would be in the order of $10 and the

Committee agreed on the price. A draft poster was tabled and accepted. A mass e-mail is ready to send out and that was approved.

3.3 Lecture Series

The Committee agreed that the next lecture or two in the series, following on after the Inauguration, should be advanced sufficiently to be announce at the inauguration function. It was thought that the Pro-Chancellor Annabelle Bennett should be added to the list, and that the address by John Button and/or the one by the Pro-Chancellor should be ready to announce on 8 June.

3.5 Summer Schools

The Chair reported on discussions with Iain McCalman about the Summer School for Humanities Teachers. He had expressed a great deal of interested in the idea. It was agreed that, while the Science Summer School for Teachers ranged widely over all the scientific fields of study, the humanities did not so easily lend themselves to such an approach. Instead it was thought that concentrating on certain areas would be better and the topic for the first Summer School for Humanities Teachers was suggested to be 'Australian History, including Aboriginal History'. It was felt that this was important due to the falling enrolments in secondary school history. The Committee endorsed this approach and authorised the Chair and Deputy Chair to pursue it further.

4. Treasurer's Report

Rafe De Crespigny indicated that, while he was happy to undertake the duties of Treasurer, the word 'ex-officio' should be removed from references to his post, as it might be taken as binding future Masters, which was not appropriate.

He also reported that in was not practical to subsume that Emeritus Faculty accounts into University House accounts for a range of reasons, including problems with the GST. The Committee agreed that the Treasurer should open negotiations on starting an account with the Credit Union of Canberra in the name of the Emeritus Faculty.

5. Membership

The Secretary reported that there had been an influx of applications by new members. The Committee agreed that it needed to formalise the process of admitting members. Attached is a list of names that were formally accepted for membership of the Emeritus Faculty.

6. Other Business

The Secretary reported that he was having lunch with the Director of the ANU Public Affairs Unit on 23 May with a view to creating a web page for the Emeritus Faculty, and having it included in the ANU's Annual Report for 2000.

The Committee also urged him to find out if members of the Emeritus Faculty would be able to be included in the ANU e-mail facility, and to be allocated e-mail addresses at the domain name 'anu.edu.au'.

5. Next Meeting

The next meeting will be held on Wednesday 28 June at 4.00 pm in the Fellows' Room, University House.

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Members Accepted into the Emeritus Faculty on 10 May 2000

Anderson, Don
Barton, Allan
Byrne, Gavin
De Crespigny, Rafe
Fenner, Frank
Flecknoe, Jane
Fry, Eric
Gollan, Bob
Hambly, David
Horridge, Adrian
Hunter, Thelma
Johnson, Richard
Levick, Russell
Low, Anthony
Molony, John
Neumann, Bernhard
O'Collins, Maev
Pickford, Giles
Plowman, Colin
Rawling, Steve
Rawson, Beryl
Scales, Derek
Stewart, Peter
Turner, J Stewart
Ward, Gerry
Woodroofe, Gwen