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Minutes of the ninth meeting of Committee of the Emeritus Faculty held on Wednesday 4 October 2000 at 4.00 pm in the Club Room, Cellar Bar, University House.

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Present: John Molony (Provisional Chair), Beryl Rawson (Provisional Deputy Chair) Anthony Low, Bob Gollan, Giles Pickford (Provisional Secretary).

1. Apologies

Apologies were received from Rafe de Crespigny (Provisional Treasurer), Allan Barton, Gerard Ward, Peter Stewart, Rafe de Crespigny (Provisional Treasurer).

2. Minutes

The minutes of the eighth meeting were confirmed.

3. Business Arising from the Minutes

3.1 Membership

Jim Griffin, Senior Research Fellow RSPAS 1980-86 was admitted to membership.

The Membership sub-committee was requested to consider the question of an associate membership category to involve in the Emeritus Faculty people not strictly eligible for membership but who had long association with the ANU, such as widows of former staff.

David Hambly's re-draft of Membership Guideline 4 was adopted.

3.2 Draft Constitution

A re-draft of the Constitution was discussed. It was resolved that the document be forwarded to David Hambly for checking prior to the next meeting on 1 November. As the document needs to be circulated to the members the next day,

as an attachment to the Notice of the AGM, 1 November will be the last time this year that the Draft Constitution can be considered by the Committee.

3.3 Annual General Meeting

The Committee agreed that the first AGM will be held on Wednesday 6 December 2000 at 5.00 pm; and that the Notice of Meeting will have to be circulated by 5 November 2000. The agenda will include (a) Provisional President's Report (b) Provisional Treasurer's Report, including a set of accounts, (c) Adoption of a Constitution, (d) election of Committee (e) appointment of an auditor.

The Acting Chair was asked to approach Rafe de Crespigny about taking on the job of being Returning Officer.

The Secretary was asked to endeavour to move the venue away from the Common Room in order to get an earlier start to the meeting. The ANU Poets' Lunch is being held there that afternoon, and therefore the starting time is currently 5.30 pm, to allow for re-setting the room.

3.5 Summer Schools

3.5.1 Summer School for Science Teachers.

No further developments.

3.5.2 Summer School for Humanities Teachers.

This event will be held in the summer of 2002 under the auspices of the Humanities Resources Centre.

3.6 Lecture Series

The Provisional Deputy Chair gave notice that she would open a discussion at the November Meeting on the operation and costing of social events run by the Emeritus Faculty.

The Committee noted the following items:

(i) "Unfinished Business" – Ben Selinger had replied indicating interest, but not in 2000.

(ii) "Reaching Out" - Mike Gore: booked for Wednesday 11 October at 5.30 pm, Common Room, University House. So far 15 people have RSVPed.

The question of why we seek RSVPs was raised. The Provisional Secretary responded that it was nice to know if the number was going to be

embarrassingly small. The Committee decided that it was not necessary to seek this information in future.

(iii) A Scarth Room Dinner for Professor Chubb was mooted for February 2000. It was agreed that the nature and cost of this event should be canvassed at the AGM.

(iv) "Libraries Now" - Colin Steele. Booked for a date in March 2001.

Yet to be booked

(v) "The Role of the AVCC" - Stuart Hamilton

(vi) "Universities and Industry" - Mike Sargent

(vii) "Internationalisation" - Lindy Hyam IDP: report from Giles Pickford to be tabled

4. Treasurer's Report

Deferred to the next meeting.

5. Noel Butlin Archive

Bob Gollan raised the question of the deteriorating circumstances surrounding the Noel Butlin Archive which he had helped to create. An NTEU document was tabled. The Committee thanked Bob Gollan for keeping it informed on the subject and urged him to take the matter up by seeking an audience with the Vice-Chancellor or Acting Vice-Chancellor, and the Librarian.

Giles Pickford offered, if necessary, to contact a donor to the archive whom he knows well and who lives in Wollongong.

6. Next Meeting

The next meeting will be held on Wednesday 1 November 2000 at 4.00 pm in the Club Room of the Cellar Bar, University House. The Provisional Secretary has apologised in advance as he will be in Melbourne.

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