MINUTES
Emeritus Faculty
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Minutes of the 17th meeting of the Emeritus Faculty held on 14 August 2000 at 4:00 pm in the Matisse Room, Cellar Bar, University House

PRESENT John Molony (in the Chair), Russell Doust, Stewart Turner, Jill Waterhouse, Gavin Byrne, Colin Plowman, Peter Stewart, Rafe de Crespigny.

1 APOLOGIES
Giles Pickford, Chris Bryant, Beryl Rawson and Bari Saha.

2 MINUTES
The Minutes of the 16 th meeting were confirmed (Byrne/Stewart).

3 CORRESPONDENCE
None

4 BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

4.1 Senior Academy
John Molony and Colin Plowman expanded on the report to the 16th meeting about a meeting which had taken place between them and two representatives of the Harvard Senior Academy and pointed out the great gulf which so far existed between the Emeritus Faculty and the long-established Senior Academy. After some discussion it was RESOLVED to await further developments, and to leave the matter on the agenda for the time being.

4.2 Volunteering ACT
There was no report on this or U3A and it was RESOLVED to remove the item from future agenda.

4.3 Web Site
It was noted that the Web Site was now up and running. John Molony said that he was very happy with it and observed that the Emeritus Faculty now appeared on the list of Faculties on the ANU home page.

4.4 Science Summer School
Peter Stewart and Colin Plowman reported. The funds had been paid by journal entry into a special account with the Centre for Continuing Education, under the control of John Dash. In consultation with the Science Teachers Association the dates had been set at Sunday 13 January – Friday 18 January 2002. Bruce Hall had been booked at $24 bed and breakfast and everything was within budget. Colin Plowman was seeking to arrange discounted air fares with a Canberra travel agent. Peter Stewart was negotiating with ANU science staff members to seek their cooperation. Advertising was in the hands of the Science Teachers

Association and it was hoped that the University would meet the cost of an advertisement in the Weekend Australian.

4.5 Humanities Summer School

John Molony reported on progress. (a) The Vice Chancellor had not been prepared to approve more than about half the amount provided for the Science Summer School, i.e., $26,000. (b) Because of the huge range of disciplines in the Humanities it has been decided to offer a School only in Australian History. This had been welcomed by the Humanities Research Centre and the local teachers' association. (c) The HRC had "taken the project over" and had offered an additional $5,000. (d) For the first year and because of the reduced funding, the School would be offered locally and regionally only. John Molony sought the advice of the Committee as to whether all potential speakers should come from ANU: after some discussion the Committee agreed that this would be desirable. Rafe de Crespigny offered to be involved with discussions with the HRC on this matter. (e) The dates for the School would be the same as for the Science School, 13-19 January 2002.

4.6 University Gateway Project

Jill Waterhouse reported on the most recent meeting held on 8 August. University Avenue would be developed as one of the main entrances to the campus and would consist of a number of nodal points (roundabouts, tree plantings etc.) There were to be two major works of public art. The report was noted. Rafe de Crespigny suggested that the Emeritus Faculty might be associated with the project by planting trees, perhaps donated by EF members.

4.7 Lecture Series

Russell Doust reported on the series to the end of the year as set out in the agenda and in publicity already sent to members. It was agreed that there would be no lecture in December 2001 other than anything which might be associated with the Annual General Meeting, nor in January 2002. Jill Waterhouse inquired whether the EF would wish to be associated with the 2002 Manning Clarke lecture as it had been in 2001: the Committee was of the opinion that this might be a useful way of bringing the EF to public notice: no expenditure or work would be involved.

4.8 Library Borrowing Rights

The Committee noted a report that the Library was prepared to allow EF members on production of proof of membership to have borrowing rights for $50 per annum rather than the $70 concession to members of Convocation .

5 Treasurer's Report

The report of the Treasurer for the period 1 February – 14 August 2001 was received (Waterhouse/Plowman). After discussion the Committee determined that the financial year of the Emeritus Faculty would in future be the calendar year (Stewart/Turner). The Treasurer and Secretary were asked to develop procedures for notifying members when subscriptions were due or overdue, and to provide proof of membership [see item 4.8 above] The Treasurer, Rafe de Crespigny, gave notice of his resignation from the Committee and as

Treasurer from 30 September 2001. The Committee determined to coopt Peter Scardoni (who had been preparing the accounts) to the position of Treasurer until the Annual General Meeting and indicated that subject to his concurrence would nominate him for the position at that time.

6 Next meeting

The next meeting would be on Tuesday 5 September.
Peter Stewart asked that an item for the agenda would be the future funding of Summer Schools
Stewart Turner requested leave of absence from that meeting.

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