Minutes
Emeritus Faculty
The Australian National University

Minutes of the 30th meeting of the Committee of the Emeritus Faculty held on Wednesday 11 September at 4.00 pm in the Matisse Room, Cellar Bar.

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PRESENT: John Molony (Chair), Chris Bryant (Deputy Chair), Adrian Gibbs, Judith Slee, Beryl Rawson, Peter Stewart, Russell Doust, Gavin Byrne, Peter Scardoni (Treasurer), Giles Pickford (Secretary)

1. Apologies

Stewart Turner.

2. Minutes

The minutes of the 29th meeting were confirmed subject to the addition of Peter Stewart to the list of apologies.

3. Business Arising from the Minutes

3.1 Summer School for Science Teachers 2003

Peter Stewart reported that the School was now set to go ahead with funding from ANU Science and the Faculty of Science, plus the teacher's registration fee, yielding a budget of $58.000. The School had been advertised on the ANU web site and 21 expressions of interest received.

3.2 Summer School for Humanities Teachers 2003

John Molony reported that the HRC had committed itself to go ahead with a grant from the ANU of $20,000. It would not be possible to offer fares under this funding arrangement. ANUEF is to be retained in the organisation of the School. The School has bee advertised and the Chair indicated that he would provide a copy of the advertisement to the next meeting. The Chair also reported that he had heard that Economics and Law were considering the idea of offering Summer Schools for teachers.

3.3 Visit of Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Education)

The Committee noted that Malcolm Gillies, Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Education), is scheduled to attend our next meeting (2 October). A copy of the Brief prepared by the Secretary was tabled and approved and a copy is attached to these minutes for information.

The Committee noted that there are four apologies for the October meeting from people who unavoidably would be away from Canberra on the day. The Committee debated options such as moving the date of the meeting forward by a week, or seeking a deputation, where available members could call on Professor Gillies in his rooms. It was left to the Chair to put these options to Professor Gillies and seek his views.

3.4 Nelson Enquiry

The Chair reported on his attendance at one of the panel sessions conducted by the Nelson Enquiry, which had mostly focussed on articulation between the TAFE and Higher Education sectors. He had spoken on the problems faced by Universities.

3.5 2003 Committee

The following people have indicated that they would be likely to nominate for the Committee in 2003. John Molony, Chris Bryant, Gavin Byrne, Adrian Gibbs, Peter Scardoni, Giles Pickford. Beryl Rawson suggested that there should always be an attempt to refresh the membership of the Committee which she said should not remain the same year after year. The Committee agreed, and the Chair agreed to draft a paper for members, to be discussed by the Committee and the pre-circulated before the AGM, reporting on ANUEF's activities, some possibilities for future activities, and inviting members' reactions and suggestions as a basis for discussion at the AGM. Chris Bryant indicated that, if re-elected, he would be interested in taking on the ANUEF Lecture Series, run by Russell Doust in 2002.

3.6 ANUEF Database and Web Site Officer's Report

(a) Gavin Byrne indicated some of the problems with putting the entire database on the web. But the making the data available via DB Text would provide the Committee with a useful tool. Further discussion was deferred in the absence of Wendy Brazil.
(b) Gavin Byrne reported on his enquiries concerning access to the ANU Internal web page for ANUEF members. The Committee agreed that it should formally approach Professor Robin Stanton about the issue.

3.7 Publicity

The Chair and Chris Bryant agreed to re-open this item with Julian Lee of *ANU Reporter*.

3.8 New Members

The Committee noted that Emeritus Professor David Brown had been admitted to membership.

4. Invitation to Emeritus Professors

The responses from Members about the search for Emeritus Professors whose names appear in the web site below were discussed. The Secretary needs addresses as well as names and all Committee Members agreed to assist in forwarding names and addresses of prospective members to the Secretary.

http://www.anu.edu.au/cabs/general/emeritus.html

5. Lecture Series

The Lecture series for the rest of the year is set out below.

September 18 – 4.45 pm: Dean of Arts, Adam Shoemaker will speak on "Living Treasures: Rediscovering the Faculty of Arts"

October 16 – 4.45 pm: Dr David Jenkins, renowned parasitologist, will speak on "Human behaviour and parasite transmission".

November 20 – 5.15 pm: Giles Pickford will speak on "The Principle of Subsidiarity, and Love, as Manifest in the Birth of an Organisation": the organisation in question being the Association for Tertiary Education Management Inc.

6. Treasurer's Report

The Treasurer reported that there was no material difference to the accounts tabled at the last meeting.

7. Other Business

There were no items of other business.

8. Next Meeting

The meeting schedule for 2002 is as follows:
October 2 – Apologies from GP, PSc, ST and GB.
November 6
November 27
December 4 AGM
The Committee noted that according to the Constitution, the newly elected Committee must meet within three working days of the AGM to elect Office Bearers. It was agreed that it would be desirable if this could happen after the socialising which follows the AGM.

GP 16/9/02

THE BRIEF FOR PROFESSOR GILLIES

12 August 2002

Professor Malcolm Gillies
Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Education)
Australian National University
Canberra ACT 0200

Dear Professor Gillies

The ANU Emeritus Faculty looks forward to your attendance at our Committee Meeting at 4.00 pm on Wednesday 2 October 2002. We meet in the Matisse Room, next to the Cellar Bar in University House. (Date may change)

We would be interested to hear about your work as Deputy Vice-Chancellor. You may wish to suggest areas of your work in which ANUEF could offer you assistance and support. We could also discuss various matters in which ANUEF is looking for ANU support. These are currently:

(a) Accommodation (John Molony to introduce)
(b) Indemnity for Members working on ANU Projects (Chris Bryant to introduce)
(c) Access to ANU buying power in air fares and travel insurance for members travelling on ANU Business (Chris Bryant to introduce)
(d) Support for our Summer Schools (Peter Stewart and John Molony to introduce)
(e) Need for a re-launch and membership campaign (John Molony to introduce).

The ANUEF Web site (www.anu.edu.au/emeritus) contains much information on our aims and programs.

Our aims and the constitution can be found in "About". "News" will give you an insight into our current programs. The membership of the Committee and of the Faculty are also displayed there.

We look forward to our meeting with you in October.

Yours sincerely

Giles Pickford
Secretary