Minutes
Emeritus Faculty
The Australian National University

Minutes of the 31st meeting of the Committee of the Emeritus Faculty held on Wednesday 2 October 2002 at 4.00 pm in the Matisse Room, Cellar Bar, University House.

PRESENT: John Molony (Chair), Russell Doust , Adrian Gibbs, Beryl Rawson, Peter Stewart.

1. Apologies

Apologies were received from Chris Bryant, Gavin Byrne, Giles Pickford, Peter Scardoni, Judy Slee, Stewart Turner

2. Minutes

The minutes of the 30th meeting were confirmed.

3. Business Arising from the Minutes

3.1 Summer School for Science Teachers 2003

Peter Stewart reported that progress was continuing.

3.2 Summer School for Humanities Teachers 2003

The Chair reported that the HRC was continuing with plans. He would provide the Committee with a copy of the advertisement.

3. 3 Visit of DVC (Education)

Arrangements for the delegation to visit Professor Gillies, and a copy of the brief prepared, were noted.

3. 4 Nelson Enquiry

Nothing new to report.

3. 5 Publicity

Deferred, in the absence of Chris Bryant.

3. 6 New Members

The Chair reported that Peter and Mary McCullagh intended joining.

3. 7 Chair's Paper to the Members

The Chair spoke to the draft which had been circulated to Committee members. Beryl Rawson's circulated comments were noted. Peter Stewart expressed doubts about the attitude of the rest of the ANU to the EF, and about the role which the EF could claim for

itself. The EF needed to be more proactive in harnessing the altruism which members had to offer. Projects to involve more members should be proposed.

Differing views were expressed on the need for a physical home. All agreed that an effective database of members and their interests was essential: Adrian Gibbs offered to look at methods and hardware which might make this possible (to consult with Gavin Byrne).

A new draft would be prepared for discussion at the Committee meeting on 6 November. A Committee paper (not a Chair's paper), with a limited number of issues and pros and cons, should then be circulated before the AGM, with perhaps a questionnaire, inviting responses.

4. Invitation to Emeritus Professors

The Secretary would like addresses for any names which members might suggest.

5. Lecture Series

5. 1 2002 Series.

Details listed on the agenda were noted. Chris Bryant would be asked to introduce Dr Jenkins on October 16.

5. 2 2003 Series

Deferred in the absence of Chris Bryant.
It was agreed to try to get a variety of members to introduce speakers, rather than relying on the Chair to do this each time.

6 Treasurer's Report

Deferred because of the absence of the Treasurer.

7. Other business

The Chair reported that there had been productive discussion with the Dean of Arts after the Dean's talk to the EF meeting on September 18.

7 Next Meeting

The Committee noted the following schedule::

November 6
November 27
December 4 AGM

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