ANU Emeritus Faculty

Minutes

Minutes of the 74th meeting of the ANU Emeritus Faculty Committee held on Wednesday 7 June 2006 at 3.30 pm in the Molony Room, Fellows' Lane Cottage.

Present: John Molony (Chair), Adrian Brooks, John Sandeman, Barry Ninham, Peter Stewart, John Grant, Angela Giblin, Nik Fominas, Peter Scardoni, Giles Pickford (Secretary)

1. Apologies and Welcome

An apology was received from Di Riddell

2. Minutes

The Minutes of the meeting held on 3 May 2006 were confirmed.

3. Reports

3.1 2006 Colloquium on Energy

John Sandeman reported on the Program which is now almost complete and a copy is attached. The budget was discussed in some detail, including measures that could be taken in the event of a shortfall in sponsorship. The budget was adopted. The Committee was pleased to hear that the first sponsor had been secured. The ACT Coordinating Committee for National Science Week had promised $2,000. This kind of endorsement will make raising the remainder of the sponsorships much easier. The Committee also discussed the promotional program and endorsed it.

3.3 ACT Govt. & Industry

3.3.1 Security Specialists Course

Nik Fominas reported that Bill McCallum's paper had been published and had raised a lot of interest. It will be discussed at a workshop in September.

3.3.2 Solar Energy Project

John Sandeman reported that the ANZ Solar Society will be holding a Conference in Canberra in September, and he had been working with Derek Wrigley on preparing a paper for the Conference.

3.4 ANU Civic Interface

(a) John Grant reported that there was now a web site for "The ANU Exchange" which is the area between ANU and Civic. The site address is http://www.anuexchange.net.au/. The Secretary will circulate all members with information, when available about the site and the public presentation that Warwick Williams is in the process of arranging.
(b) John Grant reported that the Chancellor Allan Hawke would be delivering the first Lindsay Pryor Memorial Lecture and that Annabelle Pegrum and Ken Taylor had agreed to be respondents. There will be drinks and nibbles before and after the event.
(*Secretary's Note*: After the meeting the Secretary approached the Coombs Building Officer and has found that the Coombs Theatre is booked by the ANU Film Group. However, it is available one day earlier and he has booked the Theatre for Tuesday 26 September. There will be a follow up report at the next meeting)

3.6 Membership Officer

In the absence of Di Riddell the Secretary tabled a list of 18 people who had not renewed and a Category 5 application from Fergus Thomson.

It was agreed that the application be accepted.

3.7 External Outreach - Federation of Emeritus Faculties Inc.

The Committee discussed the outreach program, in particular the draft letter to potential members from CSIRO retirees. It was agreed that the letter be revised by the Outreach Group (Barry Ninham (Convenor), Adrian Brooks and Peter Stewart, and then sent out as soon as possible.

3.8 Ideas for the Future

Peter Stewart reported that a misunderstanding with U3A has delayed a formal agreement with that organisation. U3A will communicate their views with us shortly. Nik Fominas is ready to put U3A material onto the ANUEF site, and if needed, assist U3A in reciprocating.

3.9 Web Site Officer's Report

Nik Fominas reported that there had been no progress with getting the whole ANUEF web site onto the ANU server. Agreement had been reached, but implementation is very slow. He stated that he would be following through on this matter.

3.10 Events

Giles Pickford tabled latest iteration of the ANUEF Lecture Series and it was noted. There was a discussion of the Kioloa event. It was agreed that the Outreach Group should create the Kioloa program and report to the next meeting.

3.11 Excursions

Angela Giblin reported on the winter program of musical events in Canberra and Sydney. A booking of ten or more gets a reasonable discount at most venues and she will be organising information for ANUEF members about these events and offering to lead groups to attend them.

3.12 Treasurer's Report

The Treasurer tabled the accounts. It was resolved that the accounts be received and payments approved.

The Treasurer will report on the creation of the ANUEF Education Fund to the next meeting.

4. General Business

4.1 The Chair reported that our affiliate RAPlink is holding a meeting on 29 June to discuss its future. There is a motion to wind up the group and, if the motion is carried, the ANUEF has been recommended as the recipient of the residue of funds. The Committee noted that the Secretary will attend the RAPlink meeting and be available to answer questions.

4.2 The Committee agreed to renew its CHASS membership for 2006-7 at the lowest rate on the graded scale. The Secretary was asked to enquire about FASTS membership so that the matter could be debated at the next meeting.

4.3 The Chair reported on his visit to Hungary and the Australian History students that he had met there. There is a need for Australian History Books there. He said that he would be writing a story for ANUEF *News* to inform our members.

4.4 The Chair reported on a proposal that had been put forward by historian Mark Cranfield for a Lecture Series involving the national institutions in Canberra (High Court, National Library, National Archives, Film Sound Australia, etc.) The Speaker would be provided by the Institution and held in the Institution and discuss ideas that could be loosely related to the institution. The Lectures could be broadcast on ABC Radio. The aim of the exercise would be to present Canberra as a place where there is much intellectual activity over and above politics, which is the community perception of the place.

The Committee agreed to assist in the implementation this project and suggested that Mark Cranfield should become a member.

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ACTION SHEET (from the June meeting)

John Molony
Write story about Hungary for *News*
Ask Mark Cranfield to become a member

John Grant
Tell Warwick Williams that the ANUEF will publicise the presentation on the ANU Exchange
Inform the Chancellor about the proposed change in date for the Lindsay Pryor Memorial Lecture

Barry Ninham
Work with Chair, Peter Stewart and Adrian Brooks on expanding the membership to include CSIRO and other tertiary institutions, and also to suggest a program for the Kioloa Day in November.

Di Riddell
Complete Membership Renewal process

Giles Pickford
Inform members of Kioloa program for November and ask for bookings
Book the Coombs Theatre for the Lindsay Pryor Lecture
Attend RAPlink SGM
Renew CHASS membership
Enquire about FASTS membership

Nik Fominas
Work on reciprocal arrangements with U3A for both web sites

Angela Giblin
Develop ideas about excursions for 2006 and arrange group bookings for these events.

Nik Fominas
Follow through on ANU web server matter
Work on U3A reciprocal web presence when written agreement is obtained.

Peter Scardoni
Prepare a report on the ANUEF Education Fund
Discuss certain charges with Warwick Williams

Australian Science Festival and ANU Emeritus Faculty Colloquium

Energy Options for Australia's Future

National Museum of Australia - Theatre
Canberra - August 18

Program - Morning

8.45 am	**"Welcome and Introduction"** **Emeritus Professor John Sandeman**, Convenor, Visiting Fellow, Department of Physics, ANU.
9.00 am	**"Energy futures in a carbon constrained world"** **Dr Graeme Pearman** Senior Research Fellow, Monash University Energy Futures Program Leader, Australia 21.
9.30 am	"**Carbon Dioxide Capture and Geological Storage (CCS)"** **Mr Andy Rigg** Deputy Chief Executive and Special Projects Manager. Cooperative Research Centre for Greenhouse Gas Technologies.
10.00 am	**"Bioenergy – Promises and Potential"** **Mr Griff Rose** Technical Director, Renewable Energy Equity Fund Member of the Management Committee of Bioenergy Australia.
10.40 am	**Morning Tea**
11.00 am	**"The Cooper Basin HFR project: progress and potential"** **Dr Bertus de Graaf** Managing Director Geodynamics Ltd.
11.30 am	**"Nuclear Energy: Potential and Problems"** **Professor Aidan Byrne** Head Department of Physics, ANU, and Department of Nuclear Physics RSPhysSE, ANU.
12.00	**Lunch**

Program – Afternoon

1.00 pm	**"Making sense of hydrogen and fuel cell technology"** **Mr Luigi Bonadio** Luigi Bonadio and Associates. Australian Institute of Energy Committee: 2008 World Hydrogen Energy Conference
1.30 pm	**"Photovoltaic Technology"** **Professor Andrew Blakers** Director, Centre for Sustainable Energy Systems, ANU With **Mr Philip Mackey** General Manager, Renewables and Low Emission Technologies Origin Energy.
2.00 pm	**"The prospects for solar thermal power systems"** **Dr Keith Lovegrove** Deputy Director, Centre for Sustainable Energy Systems, ANU With **Mr Artur Zawadski** Manager, Business Development & Project Delivery Wizard Power Pty Limited.
2.30 pm	**Afternoon Tea**
3.00 pm	**"Wind Power"** **Dr Mark Diesendorf** Institute of Environmental Studies at UNSW Director, Sustainability Centre Pty Ltd.
3.30 pm	**"Using Energy Efficiently"** ***Mr Warren Overton*** ACT Regional Manager, Energetics Pty Ltd.
4.00 pm	**"Transport - efficiency and alternative fuels"** **Mr David Lamb** Low Emission Transport Leader Energy Transformed Flagship CSIRO.
4.30 pm	**"Energy policy: the challenge of integration"** **Dr Hugh Saddler** Managing Director Energy Strategies Pty Ltd
5.00 pm	**Close**
5.30 pm	**Evening meal for presenters**
7.00 pm	**Forum "Sustainable Energy for Australia"** **National Convention Centre Theatre – Canberra.**