ADELAIDE UNIVERSITY SCIENCE ASSOCIATION

Minutes of the 96th. A.G.M. held on Monday, 9th September, 1985 in the North Dining Room, Union Building.

Present: Members

David O'Loughlin
Beat Bodmer
Kathryn Hanton
Carolyn Schultz
Paul Brooks
Justin Gum
Steven Barry
Debbie Bishop
Bob Bradley
Tim Jaeger
Greg Collings
Remco Marcelis
Philip Clarke

Michaela Marschall
Ingrid Reimers
Julie Byrne
Alison Woodget
John Warburton
Chris Gregory
Shane Brooks
Paul Maher
Stephen Busuttil
Sarah Howes
Kym Wellens
Jeff Holman
Peter Hill

Chris Hefford
Siegfried Hecker
John Lindsay
David Williams
Patricia Tewkesbury
Michael Rumsewicz
John Edwards
Marcia Batton
Chris Eustace
Kathy Clarke
Rebecca Keough
Colleen Sheedy
Alison Young

Visitors

Michaela Batton

(1) Apologies:

Mathew Lowry Don Ray

Sandra Muirhead Paul Moritz

The meeting was opened at 7.44 pm. with David O'Loughlin in the Chair.

Motion 1: "That the apologies be accepted."

Rumsewicz/Barry carried 7.44 pm.

(2) Minutes:

 $\underline{\text{Motion 2}}$: "That the minutes of the]984 A.G.M. be taken as having been seen and possibly correct"

Batton/Barry Carried 7.45 pm.

(3) Business Arising from the Minutes:

- re Motion 3 of the 1984 A.G.M.: The minutes of the 1983 A.G.M. have not been found.

- re Motion 10 of the 1984 A.G.M.: The document was never tabled and Mr. Brown has not been seen for at least 6 weeks and is no longer at University.

- re Gold Membership Cards for Life Members: Marcia Batton reported that she has not received one, and that Mr. Brown was the last person to have them. Miss Schultz stated that some more can be printed if "...you will show me yours, John, then I will do that for you."

(4) Correspondence:

- from LEGO Ltd., Denmark re: the pronunciation of "LEGO": "... the 'e' is pronounced as in the word 'pen'..."
- Motion 3: "That the A.U.Sc.A. write a letter to LEGO Ltd., explaining the pronunciation of 'Australia'"

Gum/Bishop carried 7.56 pm.

- From the Assistant Registrar (Science) re: the A.U.Sc.A.'s student representative on the Faculty Committee.

(5) Questions - With Notice: None.

- Without Notice:

Mr. Lindsay - "Is there supposed to be a full stop after the word 'perspectives' on the back page of the agenda?"

Mr. O'Loughlin - "If you look on the last page...!"

"Should the A.U.Sc.A. become incorporated?"

Ms. Batton said that because of our rapid turn-over of people, there would not be a constant person to be liased with.

Mr. Brooks pointed out that the Public Officer can be a position,

such as the Secretary.

Mr. Edwards said that since the A.U.Sc.A. and the A.U.B.E. are affiliated with the Students Association, and through them to the Adelaide University Union, we should make the Union pay the money and worry about the administration and we will still be covered.

Miss Woodget and Mr. Brooks said that we are at risk through the Book Exchange - rickety tables covered with heavy books could have fallen on someone, resulting in court action. Also the only way at the moment to put money in trust is to put it under individual names, who later may be hard to contact. If we are incorporated we can put it under the Book Exchange as an entity.

Mr. Gum revealed that although the C.S.A. is incorporated, their protection does not follow on to us.

Mr. Brooks outlined a discussion he had with Dr. R. Baxter of the Law department, who said we are 'stupid' not to become incorporated. "...it's cheap, it lasts forever, and is just like a big insurance policy."

Mr. Edwards asked if become incorporated and pay \$60, can we claim it as an administration expense from the C.S.A.?

Miss Bishop said that, above and beyond what other clubs do, we run an Orientation Camp and are at special risk, and have been extremely lucky that nothing has gone wrong and we haven't been sued before. If we wait for the C.S.A. to get around to incorporating all clubs, we may have to wait years.

Motion 4: "That the Adelaide University Science Association become an incorporated body under the Associations Incorporation Act, 1985 and that the committee of the A.U.Sc.A. direct a member or members to take the appropriate actions required under this act to cause the Association to become an incorporated body."

Brooks/Barry.

Motion 5: "That the motion be put."

Batton/Edwards carried 8.19 pm.

Motion 4 was carried at 8.20 pm. Ms.Batton, Mr. O'Loughlin and Mr. Rumsewicz wished their dissention be noted.

- "Should the A.U.B.E. levy be reduced from 10% to 2.5%?"

Mr. Brooks explained the operation of the Book Exchange, including the 10% of the customers' return that is used to cover printing, fencing and operating costs. He said the committee felt 2.5% was rediculous and that the Book Exchange could not operate.

Mr. Edwards asked about the total operating costs of the A.U.B.E. this year, and a financial statement was distributed.

Mr. Brooks said the total operating costs were \$2766.74.

Mr. Edwards - "My ghast has never been so flabbered!"

Mr. Edwards asked why, if we took \$5000, we should make \$2500. He outlined the operation of the A.U.B.E. at 12.5%, the dropping to 10% by the committee, and his feelings that students would prefer the extra money to be given back to them rather than invested in the University. He said that 2.5% was unrealistic, but 5% was acceptable.

Mr. Brooks outlined the choice - to give students back an extra dollar or two in their cheques, or use the money to provide extra services such as Biblion. He revealed that most of the customers, when asked their views, preferred the current system.

Mr. Edwards said the \$30,000 that was donated to the Barr Smith Library was an 'embarassment', and a 'millstone around the neck' of the A.U.Sc.A. for many years.

Mr. Rumswicz emphasised that we should decrease the levy, as we are never sure what to do with the extra money that is in the best interest of all students.

Miss Schultz asked if the levy could be reduced to 2.5% for 3 or 4 years to reduce the amount of money in the bank account, then operate on 5% as a realistic level.

Motion 6: "That the A.U.B.E. levy be reduced to 5%"

Batton/Rumswicz.

Mr. Lindsay asked if the levy could be worked out after the books had been sold, so that we break even.

Mr. Eustace and Miss Woodget said this was not possible, as some bills are not received until after the cheques are written.

Motion 7: "That the motion be put."

Batton/Rumsewicz carried 8.43 pm.

Motion 6 was carried at 8.48 pm.

Mr. Marcelis, Miss Woodget, Mr. P. Brooks, Mr. S. Brooks, Miss Reimers,

- Vice-President: Miss I. Reimers

Barry/Bishop

Mr. T. Jaegar

Marcelis/0'Loughlin

Mr. R. Marcelis Brooks/Barry

Miss. I. Reimers was elected at 9.25 $\,\mathrm{pm}.$

- Honorary Secretary:

Miss D. Bishop Mr. G. Collings

Brooks/Barry Marcelis/Brooks

Miss D. Bishop was elected at 9.30 $\ensuremath{\text{pm}}.$

- Honorary Assistant Secretary:

Mr. G. Collings Miss J. Byrne Miss S. Howes

Bishop/Brooks Byrne/Bodmer Marcelis/Collings

Mr. G. Collings was elected at 9.34 pm.

- Honorary Treasurer:

Miss A. Woodget Mr. T. Jaegar Miss J. Byrne

Marcelis/Brooks Reimers/O'Loughlin O'Loughlin/Marcelis

Miss A. Woodget was elected at 9.40 pm.

- Honorary Assistant Treasurer:

Mr. J. Lindsay

Lindsay/Reimers

Mr. J. Lindsay was declared elected at 9.42 pm.

- Committee Members (8):

(]6 nominations)

Mr. R. Marcelis Miss. S. Howes

Mr. S. Brooks Mr. C. Gregory Mr. T. Jeagar

Miss P. Tewkesbury Mr. B. Bradley

Mr. J. Gum

were declared elected at 10.00 pm.

(8) Business:

- Membership Fee

Motion 13: "That the membership fee remain the same."

Bradley/Gum

carried 10.10 pm.

Motion 14: "That a letter be sent to Dr. H. Medlin thanking him for his Patronage, and a gift be sent on his retirement."

Byrbe/Bishop carried 10.14 pm.

The 1985 A.G.M. was closed at 10.19 $\ensuremath{\text{pm}}.$