



Minutes of REOA Meeting 04 February 2013

Attendees

Ron Ledingham, Richard Orr, Glen Gould, Jack Pluck, Robert Fretwell, Rick Toholka.

Apologies

Noel Hadfield, John Clarkson, Dan Nebauer, Peter Jupp.

Midyear Luncheon Planning - Speaker

Discussion followed on the merits and likelihood of obtaining the services of Ron Gretton (box kite), or Chris Pozzi (ASIC), or DGTA (RAAF Airworthiness and safety coverage). However, Glen Gould proposed seeking a 15 minute presentation from Ed Custeau, on the "Future of Engineering." Ron Gretton was selected as the fallback speaker.

Action: RT to email Glen Gould seeking contact details for Ed Custeau.

Richard Orr sought confirmation of the Midyear Luncheon date to enable him to book the venue.

Action: RT to confirm the date for the Midyear Luncheon and advise Richard Orr.

REOA Affiliation with RAAFA

On 30 November 2004 REOA received approval to be an Affiliate member of the RAAFA.

(A copy of the approval letter is attached to these Minutes)

Succession planning

Rick Toholka recommended that the Committee allocate time and effort towards the formulation of a Succession Planning strategy to ensure the perpetuity of the REOA. The Committee agreed and Jack Pluck suggested encouraging members at the Bi -Annual Luncheons to solicit new membership.

QLD Chapter

After discussion and agreement on the merits of growing the REOA, the Committee endorsed further communication with Brian Duddington and Ian Ashbrook to assist our retired Queensland Engineer Officers with the establishment of the proposed QLD Chapter of the REOA.

Action: RT to communicate our support to Brian Duddington and Ian Ashbrook.

Correspondence In/Out

No correspondence was tabled due to the apology from Noel Hadfield for personal reasons.

Financial Report

Richard Orr summarised REOA Finances as "in the black" with a healthy but not excessive cash reserve. Richard canvassed opinion on the level of subsidy that should be applied to the Midyear Luncheon. A fee of \$45 per head as proposed by Bob Fretwell would require a small subsidy and this amount was broadly endorsed.

Other Business

Rick Toholka queried the appetite for a group booking to the Avalon Air Show this year but with the assessed limited availability of entry sponsorship the Committee decided to encourage REOA members to make their own arrangements.

Next committee meeting

The next committee meeting is scheduled for Monday 8th April 2013.

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Mr Kevin Leslie
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Dear Kevin

It is somewhat belatedly but with pleasure that I advise you that the RAAF Association National Executive has approved your organisation's application for Affiliate Membership in the Association.

You will have been aware that your application had been placed in abeyance by the Executive pending the outcome of the recently conducted National Review of the RAAF Association. The National Review has confirmed that it is in the interests of the RAAF Association to foster links with organisations such as yours; organisations that can be described as part of the 'Air Force family'. Accordingly I welcome the RAAF Engineering Officers Association as an Affiliate Organisation.

I would request, however, that your members be encouraged to join the RAAF Association as subscribed members.

Yours sincerely

Air Commodore Geoff Michael AO OBE AFC (Retd)
National President
RAAF Association

Cc: Victoria Division, RAAF Association