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Minutes of

RAAMC History Meeting

HELD at

Naval, Military and Air Force Club Inc. (SA) 10th April 2007 at 6pm

Attendees:

COL M Jelly, LTCOL S Kuusk, COL A Summers, COL P Byrne

Apologies:

COL B Perks, COL D Beard, COL B Mollison, CAPT B. Holland

1. Minutes of the previous meeting

Were read and accepted

2. Business and actions arising from Minutes

2.1 Report of the Board meeting of March 19th of the Army Museum of South Australia Foundation (AMOSAF) was given by LTCOL Kuusk and COL Summers. The AMOSAF Board has agreed in principle for this group to come under the umbrella of the museum and activate the 3rd Forward General Hospital collection and form a sub-account. AMOSAF require that members of this group become members of AMOSAF and also volunteers of the museum this has an annual fee of \$10. Most volunteers spend time at the museum in activities of their interest during designated weekdays. This is not possible for members of this group who are fully engaged in work. This history groups' monthly meetings will serve as their volunteer work and being a volunteer will allow easier access to artefacts held at the museum for our research purposes on an individual basis. Applying to be a volunteer will also give the application Commonwealth Compensation cover whilst researching or working at the museum. Application forms were given to COL Jelly, COL Byrne and held for COL Perks. LTCOL Kuusk and COL Summers are already members of AMOSAF.

It was suggested and accepted that the 3rd Forward General Hospital sub- account be renamed the Army Health Services Research Group and LTCOL Kuusk will attend to this change.

It was suggested and agreed that the next meeting be held at the museum to inform the group of the museums facilities. Dinner can still be held at the Naval and Military and Air Force Club after the meeting.

- 2.2 Update on list of 'old and bold' from COL Beard was deferred.
- 2.3 COL Summers reported that she had photographed the two 2/8 Fd Amb honour boards held at Torrens Parade Ground and will type up the names over the next month or so. COL Byrne said should she require any information re 2/8 Fd Amb then to contact John Davis and provided her with contact details.
- 2.4 LTCOL Kuusk tabled interview guidelines from the AHU. COL Jelly will contact CAPT Michael Tyquin and ask if we could have copies of the data that he collected from South Australian medical personnel.
- 2.5 COL Jelly has started to investigate the whereabouts of the RAAMC Officers', Sergeants' and OR's Mess Silver and other items. The Sgt's Mess memorabilia was given to the Warradale Area Mess but he has not traced the whereabouts of the Officer's Mess silver. Any memorabilia from the OR's mess would have come to Keswick with the 'Vivian Bulwinkle all ranks club' and he will contact Major Wendy Quayle to see if she knows its whereabouts.
- 2.6 COL Byrne to provided copies of papers left by COL Kuusk at last meeting COL Perks. To be distributed at next meeting.

3. New Business

- 3.1 COL Byrne will endeavour to provide the Army Health Services Research Group with copies of papers and other matters of interest belonging to his father.
- 3.2 COL Jelly reported that unfortunately the list that he was compiling of WW1 Medical personnel was lost when he had a problem with his computer. Will start again in a different format.
- 3.3 COL Jelly has established that 3rd Fd Amb was considered to be raised in Queensland as the CO, RSM and QM enlisted there. B section was raised in South Australia, C section in Western Australia, and D section Tasmania. This is important for the proposed Simpson and his Donkey statue.

COL Kuusk said the B section of 7 Fd Amb was also raised in South Australia and that this section has a flag made but donated to WA. He suggested we write and ask for a photo of the flag for our records.

4. Meeting Closed 1845

5. **Next Meeting** 8th May 2007 at Keswick Barracks Museum.

Signature of Chair