

The School of Mines and Industries, Ballarat

General Meeting of the Council held on the 30<sup>th</sup> July, 1915 at 8 p.m.

Present: The President (Mr W. H. Middleton in the chair) Councillors G. Fitches, W. Fenton, F. Herman, A. Hatrick, W. J. Humphreys, R. Stephenson, J. S. Vickery, R. J. Vale, Messrs C. Fenner and H. H. Smith

Apologies were received from Councillors D. Maxwell, D. Ronaldson, J. W. Gower, J. G. Macdonald and A. E. Cutter.

Mr R. J. Vale } The minutes of the meeting held on the 25<sup>th</sup> June, 1915, were read and confirmed.

Mr G. Fitches } Accounts amounting to £694. 11. 4 were passed for payment.

Mr F. Herman } The Registrar's Report was received and adopted.

Mr R. J. Vale } The Principals' Report was received and adopted and it was resolved to communicate with the Railway Institute, Melbourne, in connexion with the <sup>proposed</sup> establishment of a Railway Institute in Ballarat offering to cooperate with them in providing instruction in Telegraphy and Telephone mechanics. It was also decided that the

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Council of Education be written to with a view to the regulation and control of correspondence tuition

Mr W. J. Humphreys } Mr F. J. Martell's Report was received and adopted.

Mr F. Herman } An interim report of the Auditors (dated 23.7.1915) was read and received.

Mr J. S. Vickery } The appointment of Mr L. J. Middleton as lecturer in mathematics was confirmed.

Letters were read from:-

1.7.1915 R. Williams Esq, resigning his position as lecturer in mathematics

3.7.1915 The Amalgamated Society of Engineers, Ballarat, expressing appreciation of the Demonstration on 2<sup>nd</sup> June.

20.7.1915 Messrs W. K. Moss and H. R. Brown, requesting re-instatement after the war.

Mr G. Fitches } The correspondence was received and adopted, and it was resolved that Mr R. Williams be informed that his resignation be accepted.

Mr F. Herman } It was resolved that Messrs Brown & Moss be guaranteed reinstatement after the war.

Mr G. Fitches } It was resolved to grant a certificate of Assayer to Mr W. F. M. Johnson.

Mr W. Fenton } It was resolved that the election of a councillor in place of Mr S. E. Figgis be made an order of the day for the next meeting.

On the motion of Councillor W. J. Humphreys seconded by Councillor F. Herman it was a resolution was unanimously adopted expressing the Council's fullest recognition of the generosity of the President (Mr W. H. Middleton) in giving up so much of his own valuable time in organising the work of the institution and in advancing its interests.

W. H. Middleton  
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