

HALF YEARLY CONFERENCE

City Hall, Bendigo

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Friday 23rd November, 1984 at 7.00 p.m.

B U S I N E S S P A P E R

President's Welcome  
Apologies & Minutes  
Correspondence  
Treasurer's Report  
Board Member's Reports At 8 p.m. Don Foster will  
outline Board's 5 year plan  
Other Reports  
Branch Resolutions  
General Business

CORRESPONDENCE:

- (1) Egg Farmers of Victoria:-
  - (i) Reply to queries from December Council meeting.
  - (ii) Invitation to Board meeting on 16th August, 1984.
  - (iii) Copies of minutes from Board meeting.
  - (iv) Reply to letter suggesting alteration to Cost of Production survey.
  - (v) Request our Assoc. policy on extra quota for Agricultural Colleges.
  - (vi) (Don Foster) requesting discussion with C. Council re 5 year plan.  
*Vii Discussion Paper re 5 year plan*
- (2) Price Waterhouse Urwick:- Cost of production survey.
- (3) A.C.E.P.:-
  - (i) Notice of meeting to be held 15th & 16th October, 1984.
  - (ii) Re decisions made by Australian Agric. Council in August, 1984.
  - (iii) Cost of production survey.
  - (iv) 1984 - 85 Budget.
  - (v) 2 newsletters.
  - (vi) Copy of N.F.F. election kit.
- (4) V.F.G.A.:- Notice of Annual Conference of Egg Producers Group on Wednesday 18th July, 1984.
- (5) Department of Agriculture:-
  - (i) Letters re changes for Poultry at Agricultural Colleges.
  - (ii) 2 Poultry Newsletters.
- (6) South Queensland C.E.P.O.:- Newsletter.
- (7) Amanda Kennedy (Qld) REQUESTING INFORMATION FOR Economica Assignment.

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BRANCH RESOLUTIONS:-

Bendigo and South Bendigo Branches:-

- (1) Incorporation of Association.
- (2) Extra quota for Agricultural Colleges.
- (3) Board's 5 year plan.
- (4) Cost of Production survey.

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COMMERCIAL EGG PRODUCERS' ASSOCIATION OF VICTORIACENTRAL COUNCIL

MINUTES OF HALF-YEARLY CONFERENCE held at the City Hall, Bendigo on Friday 23rd November, 1984 at 7.00 p.m.

PRESENT:

Bendigo - R. Robins, A. Broadbent, R. Broadbent, H. Wilson, K. Fitzgibbon.  
South Bendigo - D. Oakes, M. Jackman, G. Robertson.  
Murrabit - H. Webb, L. Bartels.  
V.E.B. - D. Foster.

The Chairman D. Oakes welcomed those present and declared the conference open.

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  - (vi) (Don Foster) requesting discussion with Central Council re 5 year plan.
  - (vii) Discussion Paper re 5 year plan.
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- (8) Cheque from Federation Insurance re commission.

Moved M. Jackman, seconded R. Broadbent that correspondence be received.

Carried.

MINUTES:

Moved G. Robertson, seconded A. Broadbent that minutes as circulated be taken as read and confirmed, for Conference in November, 1983. Carried.

The President then welcomed Don Foster, Chairman of Egg Farmers of Victoria, to the meeting and asked him to address those present.

Don Foster - spoke about 5 year plan - because of introduction of quotas for life, we need long term planning also because of our surpluses over the past years. which we do not have now, a decision needs to be made on dockage; set prices at Board.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

	<u>INCOME</u>	<u>EXPENDITURE</u>	
Blance c/f (1.6.84)	\$1073.36	Rxpenditure (1.6.84 - 30.11.84)	\$ 934.36
Income	473.45	Balance	612.45
	\$1546.81		\$1546.81

INVESTMENTS:

Commonwealth Trading Bank	\$2000.00	due 30.3.85	
Sandhurst Trustees	4000.00	due 30.11.85	
Sandhurst Trustees	3500.00	due 30 day notice.	
	\$9500.00		

Moved L. Bartels, seconded H. Wilson that Treasurer's report be received and any accounts outstanding be passed for payment. Carried.

D. Oakes: reported on Wages meeting in Melbourn, difficult meeting, making it hard to Employers.

M. Jackman: (Co-op Report) Amoco has been taken over by BP Australia, fuel sales have taken a big dip since then; directors feel that BP may be selling fuel to members by devious means. Business generally is good.

BRANCH RESOLUTIONS:

(1) INCORPORATION OF ASSOCIATION:

Moved R. Broadbent, seconded G. Robertson that Central Council become Incorporated. Carried.

Moved R. Broadbent, seconded M. Jackman that we investigate most suitable way of becoming incorporated. Carried.

Moved L. Bartels, seconded A. Broadbent that we approach a Solicitor to act on our behalf. Carried.

Moved R. Robins, seconded H. Wilson that we request the Co-op to circularise all members to fill in a questionnaire re Incorporation of Central Council. Carried.

Moved L. Bartels, seconded G. Robertson that Executive handle this. Carried.

(2) EXTRA QUOTA FOR AGRICULTURAL COLLEGES:

Moved M. Jackman, seconded R. Robins that we are in favour of increasing hen quota at Longerenong College up to 6,000 birds, provided that they tender on the open market along with other Producers. Carried.

Moved M. Jackman, seconded R. Broadbent that we are in favour of short refresher courses for poultry farmers being conducted at Longerenong and suggest that they be included in the general diploma courses. Carried.

(3) BOARD'S 5 YEAR PLAN:

Left in abeyance until February, 1985.

(4) COST OF PRODUCTION SURVEY:

Producers have been given extra time to complete.

GENERAL BUSINESS:

Moved R. Robins, seconded H. Wilson that Secretary write to Board stating that our Association is concerned with yolk colour break out and the time it takes (3 weeks) to get results back to Producers. We would also point out that it takes 2 weeks with the change of feed formula to improve yolk colour. The Board needs to have a good look at the whole yolk colour break out system; we see no reason why producers could not be notified within a few days of a problem occurring. Penalties should be eased until the system has been improved considering weather conditions, strain of birds, etc.

Carried.

Meeting closed at 11.15 p.m.

Chairman

Date