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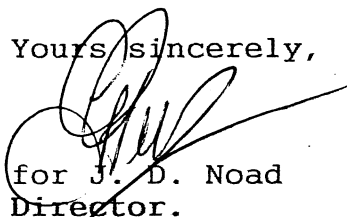
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Dear QUESTnet Management Committee Members,

I have called a full QUESTnet Management Committee meeting for January 22, 1990, to consider a number of important issues. In particular is that of the function of the regional management committees. This issue was unresolved at the AVCC Steering Committee Meeting of December 14. A small working group, including Mr Alan Coulter, is to report back to the Steering Committee on January 24. Mr. Coulter has been invited to attend the QUESTnet Management meeting to be briefed on our recommendations to the AVCC Steering Committee.

The venue for the QUESTnet meeting is John Noad's office, Prentice Computer Centre, The University of Queensland at 1400 hours.

Yours sincerely,



for J. D. Noad  
Director.

## Attachments:

QUESTnet Executive Committee Meeting Minutes, November 23, 1989

QUESTnet Network Configuration - Proposed  
Papers presented at the AVCC Steering Committee Meeting,  
December 14, 1989

- "A" - AARnet Management Paper
- "B" - AARnet Membership Terms and Conditions
- "C" - AARnet Financial Model

Comments by Graham Rees on the AARnet Financial Model.

## Distribution:

John Noad	UQ	Rod Ibell	DDIA
Bill Fisher	QUT	Ian Jenkins	CIAE
Greg Granitch	GCCAE	Mike Steel	GU
Ian Hunter	JCU	Mark Williams	UQ

## A G E N D A

1. Name change to QUESTnet.
2. Issues arising from the AVCC AARNet Steering Committee meeting of December 14, 1989.
  - (i) AARNet management. In particular the responsibility of regional management groups.
  - (ii) Affiliate (non-member) membership of AARNet.
  - (iii) AARNet funding.
3. QUESTnet constitution
4. New QUESTnet Members.
5. Other Business

1. Graham Rees circulated members electronically about the suggested name change from QARNET to QUESTnet, the Queensland Educational, Science and Technology Network. No one disagreed, however this should be ratified at the full meeting.

2 (i) The AARNet Management Paper (Attachment A), was, I understand, written by Robin Erskin (ANU), Chairperson, AARNET Technical Committee. This paper leaves the question of regional management optional to each region, but states that such management would only be concerned with additional (to AARNet) value-added services. This is not in accordance with desired policy as discussed at our previous QUESTnet Management meetings. We need to make specific recommendations for Alan Coulter to take back to the AVCC Steering Committee.

Graham Rees will circulate any comments or documents electronically prior to January 22 or please discuss matters directly with Alan Coulter on telephone (07) 221 6265.

2 (ii) Attachment B was prepared by Chris Rusbridge and Geoff Huston. This paper is mainly concerned with *affiliate members* rather than Member Terms and Conditions. In any case the document seems very incomplete and does not cover many issues such as security, rules of behaviour and conditions under which members can be disconnected.

2 (iii) The funding models presented to the AVCC Steering Committee is attached as "C". This is a difficult document to understand since no explanation is given. Graham Rees has prepared some comments on this model, which are also attached.

4. In view of the change of status of the Gold Coast CAE to a College of Griffith University, they should be represented on the QUESTnet Management Committee.

Autonomy of the Queensland region is an important issue. We need a well prepared case for Alan Coulter to present to the Steering Committee. Please contact Graham Rees or Alan Coulter with any queries.