UTR2.57 - THE JOHN F KENNEDY MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIPS

Background –

A. Following an appeal for public subscriptions in 1964 by the Australian-American Association in South Australia Incorporated (‘donors’) an amount of $3,946 was donated to the University of Adelaide (‘donation’) for the purpose of founding a scholarship in memory of John Fitzgerald Kennedy, President of the United States of America from 1961 to 1963.

B. There are four Honours scholarships; two are for Honours students of History and two are for Honours students of Politics.

C. The University accepted the donation upon the trusts specified by the donors and the donation therefore became the capital subject to those trusts (‘capital sum’).

Name of the fund

1. The capital sum, all income arising from the capital sum and any accumulations and additions thereto together form a fund called ‘The John F Kennedy Memorial Scholarship’ (‘fund’).

Investment of the fund

2. The fund is to be amalgamated for the purposes of investment, and held in a common fund, and the net income earned by the common fund shall be credited, rateably, to the funds so amalgamated and thereafter distributed according to the terms of the Scholarship.

Obligations

3. In administering the fund, the University must adhere to the terms specified and is obliged:-

   (a) to invest the capital sum according to the directions of the donors; and

   (b) to establish a scholarship in the manner described in the following Rules.

Rules

4. The John F Kennedy Memorial Scholarship is administered according to the following Rules:-

   (1) There shall be four scholarships, each valued at $500 and each called ‘The John F Kennedy Memorial Scholarship’. Two scholarships will be for students of History and two for students of Politics.

   (2) The aim of the scholarships shall be to encourage studies in politics, international relations and history.
A candidate for the scholarships shall be a student in the Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences, who:-

(a) has completed, or before taking up the scholarship will have completed, the work for the ordinary degree and is eligible for admission to the course for the Honours degree of Bachelor of Arts in either the Department of History or the Department of Politics, or in a combination of the two;

(b) undertakes that if awarded a scholarship the candidate will enrol as a student for the work of the final Honours year.

Two candidates for a scholarship shall be nominated by both the Head of the Department of History, and the Head of the Department of Politics, having taken into consideration the candidates’ overall record in the respective discipline.

Where candidates are of equal merit, the Head of either Department concerned shall make their recommendation taking into account financial need.

A scholarship shall be tenable for the year that the holder is enrolled as a student for the work of the final Honours year. So long as the income from the fund suffices for the purpose, the value of each scholarship shall be $500 or such other amount as the Faculty shall in each case determine.

The scholarships shall be offered for award annually; but no award shall be made if, in the opinion of the Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences, no candidates are of sufficient merit.

If in any year the scholarship be not awarded additional scholarships may, subject to these rules, be awarded in a subsequent year, provided that there are candidates who in the opinion of the Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences are of sufficient merit.

These rules may be varied from time to time by the Faculty, but the title and purpose of the scholarships shall not be changed.

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