Background

A. On 25 November 2013, David William ‘Bill’ Rogers LLB (Melb.) LLD (honoris causa) (Monash) AO, lawyer and company director (‘donor’) gave the sum of $50,000 to the University (‘donation’). The memorandum of gift dated 22 November 2013 provided-

‘...3. The purpose of the gift is to fund one or more scholarships in perpetuity to support outstanding female students undertaking studies in agriculture.
The scholarship is to be awarded on the basis of academic excellence....’

...

8. The proposed name of the scholarship is ‘The Irene Rogers (Lowe) Scholarship for Agriculture’.

9. If in a particular year the scholarship is not awarded, the unspent net annual income may be retained as income and be available in any subsequent year for the stated purpose, or added to the capital sum represented by the gift.’

B. The donor served as a signalman with Central Bureau Intelligence Corps in New Guinea and the Philippines during World War II. After his discharge he entered Ormond College and studied law at the University. He first practised with the law firm Hedderwick, Fookes and Alston and later with Arthur Robinson and Hedderwicks after its merger with Arthur Robinson and Co in 1984 becoming a senior partner. The donor began an association with BHP in 1974 when he was appointed to the board of ARC Industries, then 35% owned by BHP. He later became a director of BHP, AMP, Costain Ltd, Gatic (Australia), APM Division Amcor Ltd, East Asiatic Co of Aust and Chairman of Woodside Petroleum. His activities also encompassed patronage of many Arts organisations including the Association for the Blind, Berry St Family Care, Arthritis Foundation and Baker Medical Research Institute. In 1992 he became the fifth Chancellor of Monash University, in which position he continued until 1997. In 1999 he received an honorary doctorate of Laws from Monash University. He became an Officer of the Order of Australia on 26 January 1998 for service to tertiary education as Chancellor, Monash University, and to the gas and petroleum industry and to the community.

C. The donation memorialises the late Irene Myrtle Rogers (née Lowe), the donor’s mother who was the first female student at Dookie College. Miss Lowe completed her year at Dookie in 1915 and returned to the University for her final two years of study, earning her degree in Agricultural Science in March 1918. The donor intends by his gift to honour his mother's historic role as the first female student at Dookie College by establishing a scholarship that will help create a future cohort of female agricultural leaders.
D. The University accepted the donation upon the trusts specified by the donor, and the donation therefore became the capital subject to those trusts ('capital sum').

E. This University trust record is the means by which the University records –

1. the trusts specified by the donor upon which the University as trustee holds trust property, including the capital sum; and

2. the administrative arrangements for the implementation and ongoing performance of those trusts, as determined by the University from time to time.

It is provided as follows

**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 Irene Rogers (Lowe) Scholarship for Agriculture' ('fund').

**Investment of the fund**

2. The fund is to be paid into one or more investment common funds and remain there until Council directs otherwise.

**Trust terms**

3. As trustee of the fund, the University is obliged by the trusts specified by the donor-

   1. to establish a perpetual trust;
   2. to award one or more scholarships in perpetuity to outstanding female students undertaking studies in agriculture;
   3. to award each scholarship on the basis of academic excellence; and
   4. to provide that if in a particular year the scholarship is not awarded, the unspent net annual income may be retained as income and be available in any subsequent year for scholarships, or added to the capital sum represented by the gift.

**Administrative arrangements**

4. Until its further determination, and in order to implement the trust terms, the University has determined-

   1. that the Dean of the Faculty of Veterinary and Agricultural Sciences ('Dean') is to determine-
      
      a. the recipient of each scholarship,
(b) the value of each scholarship,

(c) the term of each scholarship, and

(d) the number of scholarships to be awarded each year;

(2) to call each scholarship ‘The Irene Rogers (Lowe) Scholarship for Agriculture’.

5. The Dean is authorised to award each scholarship on behalf of the University.

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