

McMASTER UNIVERSITY RETIREES ASSOCIATION

MINUTES - ANNUAL MEETING

Wednesday, May 7th, 1986
Recreation Room 136, Divinity College

1. The President, welcomed everyone who came out to the meeting and gave his report on the year's activities which included a corn roast, golf game, a flag talk by the Rev. Canon Spence and our Christmas party organized by Jack Wade, as well as a travel film presented by Blyth Williams.

The drop-in center in the Fyfe Room, Divinity College, will continue to be open each Tuesday afternoon until the end of May. The Association wishes to thank Dr. Hilmer for his generosity in making the Fyfe Room available.

Bill's thanks and appreciation were also extended to:

Mrs. Norah McCallion for her attendance in our office in Gilmour Hall each Monday and Friday morning until the end of May.

Mr. Fred Hopkinson, Mrs. Sadie Love and Ms. Dorothy Cooley of the Personnel Office for their generous assistance and use of their facilities.

Mrs. Chip Inkster as the Phone Committee Chairman. She is moving to Nova Scotia in June.

The Executive Council for their co-operation.

2. Report of the Nominating Committee

The Chairman, Don Shepherd, had no additional names to submit, therefore, it was moved by Don Shepherd and seconded by Jack Wade that the slate of officers as presented be accepted. Motion carried.

3. The President asked the members for their approval in naming Mr. Stuart Winn our Honourary President in recognition of his knowledge and leadership in getting our Association "off the ground". The members wholeheartedly agreed.

4. Financial Report

The Secretary/Treasurer submitted the attached report. She moved that the report be approved which was seconded by Dorothy Willott. The motion was carried.

Bill MacPherson explained to the members reasons for charging a \$10 annual fee. The motion was moved and seconded in Committee. Tom Truman and Barney Goldsmith moved and seconded the motion respectively. A discussion on the motion followed and the motion carried.

5. Plans in the future

Don Shepherd spoke on the volunteer aspect of our Association, particularly the Centennial Celebrations in 1987. Involved would be mailings, manning information desks, guided tours, etc.

6. Bill MacPherson asked the members to keep in mind that the University will be needing volunteers for the upcoming fund-raising drive.
7. Our newly appointed Honourary President, Mr. Stuart Winn thanked the members for his appointment. He briefly outlined his involvement with our Association

He asked the members and their spouses to keep in mind June 12th from 4 to approximately 6:30 p.m. Groups from various departments will participate in an afternoon of games followed by a barbeque. It will be held on the playing field by the Phys. Ed. complex.

8. The President, on behalf of all those present, was pleased to have Dr. and Mrs. Thode in attendance.

9. An open forum was held for ideas for the coming year. Activities suggested included:

The Christmas party should be held again
The National Film Board has films available
Hold another Flag Night
Activities should be in the spring and fall only
Trips to Stratford, Shaw Festival, Royal Botanical Gardens
Speakers on interesting subjects such as the Scourge Foundation; Prof. Ron Graham to talk on the history of the University
A musical evening
Other professors who might be interested in speaking

It was suggested that members be asked by mail for their ideas.

10. Mr. Jack Wade was asked to book Thursday, December 4th, for our Christmas party.
11. Mr. Barney Goldsmith thanked the Council for their efforts on behalf of the members.
12. The meeting adjourned, followed with coffee and goodies and an hour or so of very pleasant chit chat.

FINANCIAL REPORT

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The Association applied for and received a New Horizons Grant from the Federal Government. The amount received was \$3,750 which was the amount requested. This sum of money will be used to purchase office equipment, such as a typewriter and table, filing cabinet, stationery and envelopes, office supplies. The cost of postage will also be paid from this account.

The cheque has been deposited into a special account in the McMaster Credit Union. A careful record of all transactions in this account must be kept as specified by the New Horizons Grant Office. After a period of 18 months, from March 1st, 1986, (which is the term applying to the grant) our account will be subject to an audit. In light of this, all monies in this account should have been spent by that time.

As at March 31st, 1986, this account had earned \$15.95 interest making a total of \$3,765.95.

Another account, also with the McMaster Credit Union totals \$81.40. This amount is derived from various activities such as the corn roast in the fall and the Christmas party. A generous donation of \$100 was received from Mr. Blyth Williams of Mac Travel towards the cost of a mailing which included information on the film night he presented. This account will be used for incidental expenses not included under the grant. With this in mind, the Executive has proposed a motion that regular members pay an annual fee of \$10. A Regular Member is defined as one who is in receipt of a pension from McMaster.

A word of sincere appreciation and thanks is due at this time. From the beginning, the Personnel Office has underwritten all costs which we incurred. Included are postage, stationery, photocopying and the Printing Department's charges

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for our newsletters.

Sincere appreciation and thanks are also due at this time to Stuart Winn who has been our guiding light in our formative months. He too underwrote many expenses and we are pleased to report that the University has reimbursed his Department.

Our Christmas party in December was a tremendous success in the number of members and their guests who came. But, we did have a shortfall. The University (Personnel Department) paid the difference between the amount collected and the amount owed to the Faculty Club (\$127.35). Dr. Wade paid this personally and we have since reimbursed him. Many thanks to Jack. He organized the event and generously donated the beautiful Christmas tree.