## McMaster University Retirees Association

## COUNCIL MINUTES

Tuesday, February 9th, 1988, at 1:00 p.m. Board Room, Divinity College

Present: Bob Connolly, Dorothy Jacobs, Bill MacPherson,

Norah McCallion, Les Prince, Don Shepherd, Blythe

Williams

Regrets: Doug Allaby, Bill Langton, Stuart Winn

It was moved and seconded by Blythe Williams and Norah McCallion, respectively, that the Minutes of the previous meeting be approved as circulated.

## Business arising:

- 1. Blythe Williams reported on the Shaw Festivel. Regretably, no suitable seats are available. We decided to make plans this fall for '89. Blythe will use his own judgment in getting information and making arrangements.
- 2. We have had no response to a letter from Mr. Fred Hopkinson to Mr. MacFarlane regarding our need for more space for our Council meetings. Mr. Hopkinson will send a follow-up.
- 3. Bob Connolly reported on a meeting with his Telephone Committee. It is getting organized and will soon be able to phone members more conveniently. Necessary supplies can be purchased at the Bookstore using the appropriate account number which may be obtained from Sadie Love in Personnel.

## New business:

1. Bill MacPherson read a letter from New Horizons extending the grant deadline to February 14th, 1988.

We discussed various ways to use the balance (less interest) in the a count. It was suggested that we transfer this amount to "prepaid mailing expenses". Bill and Dorothy will meet to finalize the report when it comes in.

2. Our Annual meeting has been set for Wednesday, May 18th at 7:30 p.m. in the Divinity College Recreation Room. The room has been booked from 7:00 to 10:00 p.m. Food Services will be asked to supply tea and coffee. Donations of cookies and squares will be greatly appreciated.

3. Our committee structure should be expanded to relieve those who wear more than one hat. We also discussed ways to attract new officers.

Terms expire for the President, Bill MacPherson and Bob Connolly. Don Shepherd has requested that he be relieved from the office of Vice-President, but would be willing to continue on Council and be responsible for the newsletter. Bill MacPherson is agreeable to continue on as President for another term.

Les Prince will nominate Mrs. Fumi Miyasaka to sit on Council

A Programme Chairman is needed. Blythe Williams has been suggested.

It is hoped that we will receive more nominations than needed in order to fill vacancies .

- 4. At our next meeting, we will go over the Constitution with a view to making it more pratical and workable appropriate to the Association.
- 5. Nothing has been heard regarding our inquiry several months ago on pensions. The President will write a follow-up to Dr. Lee.
- 6. Our next newsletter will go out in March or April with information on events in the coming weeks, offering transportation and asking for names of any who may be ill or confined at home. Suggestions for activities are always appreciated.
- 7. Norah reminded Council that she could use more volunteers for her organization.

Our next meeting will be Tuesday, March 15th, 1988, at 1:00 p.m. in the Board Room, Divinity College.