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McMaster University Retirees Association

COUNCIL MINUTES

Tuesday, February 28th, 1989, at 1:00 p.m. Board Room; Divinity College

Present: Charlie Cook, Winn Cramm, Dorothy Jacobs, Bill MacPherson, Fumi Miyasaka, Don Shepherd, Blythe

Williams

Regrets: Doug Allaby, Bill Langton, Norah McCallion, Les

Prince, Stuart Winn

A motion by Blythe Williams and seconded by Winn Cramm was made to approve the Minutes of the previous meeting. Carried.

Business arising:

Item 5: The response to Blythe Williams second mailing was zero. It is hoped that with the new phone committee, members can be contacted and perhaps persuaded to attend events.

Item 6: Regarding the change proposed for parking permits for retirees, a letter, expressing the Association's concern, has been sent to the University President with copies to the Faculty Association President, Dr. John Lott and to Mr. Warren Mousley. To date no reply has been received.

Item 7: Telephone Committee: The Executive met with Janet Fawcett on February 27th to discuss how she will organize the system. Records/lists were handed over to her. Personnel will provide a list with telephone numbers grouping names, according to city or town.

It was suggested that a coupon be included with the next newsletter to paid-up members asking if they wish to participate in the phone network.

Another meeting will be held at 10:00 a.m. on March 28th in G.H. 317 prior to the meeting of Council at 1:00 p.m.

Item 8: There was nothing to report on putting a scrapbook together, although Mr. Gil Murray has expressed an interest in undertaking this project.

Item 12: Nominations:

Charlie Cook reported that the following are nominations for the 1989-90 Council:

♣ Honourary President President Vice-President

♠ Secretary/Treasurer

Telephone Committee
Chairman
Co-Chairman

Council Members

Dr. Harry Thode Charles Cook Stuart Winn Dorothy Jacobs

Janet Fawcett
Marj Westoby
Fred Kitson
Gil Murray

New Business:

1. The Secretary reported on the financial health of the Association. The balance in the General Account on February 28th, 1989, was \$5616.18. It was agreed that we should try and maintain a balance of around \$2500 to \$3000 to take care of expenses incurred during the year. In view of this, Charlie Cook moved that the Secretary be authorized to transfer \$2000 to a one-year term deposit. Seconded by Fumi Miyasaka. Carried.

We discussed briefly what should be done with "extra" money we may have. The purchase of a wheelchair and/or a donation to a worthy cause were a couple of suggestions.

- 2. Bill MacPherson, Les Prince and Charlie Cook attended recent gerontology seminars. Many questions were asked by the students such as what feelings are like on retirement; what are the aims and purpose of the Retirees Association and so on. Our three reps found the session very worthwhile in the exchange of information.
- 3. A few days prior to the Annual General meeting on Wednesday,

 16 May 17th, local members will be contacted by phone. This
 will be a follow-up to the newsletter going to all members
 around the end of April or early May.
- 4. Due to the expansion of the Computer Centre, we have been asked to vacate our office space in GH 317. No date has been indicated. A meeting with Ken Post, Charlie Cook and Bill MacPherson will be held shortly when Charlie and Bill will bring our problem to the attention of the President's Office.
- 5. Charlie Cook will be in touch with Bob Tanguay to ask when the revised Benefits booklet may be available.

6. Council briefly discussed the formation of a Social Committee that would look after events.

The next Council meeting will be on Tuesday, March 28th at $1:00\ \mathrm{p.m.}$ in the Fyfe Room, Divinity College.