

McMaster University Retirees Association

COUNCIL MINUTES

Tuesday, July 17, 1990, at 1:00 p.m.
Board Room, Divinity College

Present: Charlie Cook, Blythe Williams, Dorothy Jacobs, Bill MacPherson, Bill McMicking, Fumi Miyasaka

Regrets: Winn Cramm, Jack Kennedy, Janet Fawcett, Gil Murray

The Minutes of the previous meeting were circulated. Item #5, line 4, should read "Gil Murray". With this correction, it was moved by Bill MacPherson and seconded by Fumi Miyasaka that the Minutes be approved. Carried.

Business arising:

1. Item 15 - Bob Tangney, Benefits, came along to the meeting to explain some changes that have been approved in the medical, dental and pension benefits. Retirees can expect to receive information on these changes in the mail shortly. Some improvements include better coverage for private duty nursing care, dental and major medical. Increase in pensions are now in effect to retirees who paid into the 'old' pension plan, to bring them in line with more recent retirees.

He explained that Sun Life is experiencing staff problems which may make the processing of claims slower than expected.

Bob was thanked for coming to the meeting.

2. Item 6 - An Awards Committee will be established as proposed. Details will be available at a future meeting.

New Business:

1. The President received a call from Dr. Fred Hall, Associate Dean, Humanities, to announce that he will be the McMaster Chairman for the United Way campaign in the fall. He reported that McMaster retirees' contributions for 1989 had increased 72% over 1988. Additional information will be available in September.
2. Any retiree who does not wish to be on our mailing list to receive the newsletter, we will comply by checking the mailing labels and removing the one for that retiree.

3. It has been confirmed that the barbeque will go ahead as planned for Tuesday, August 28. After a further discussion on whether to make a small charge, Council agreed it would be appropriate to ask for \$2 each to help defray costs.

A motion was made by Bill MacPherson and seconded by Fumi Miyasaka that \$2 will be charged. Carried.

The Phone Committee will be in touch with members in the calling area.

4. Dinner at Canterbury Hills on Thursday, September 20, is confirmed with a deposit having been made. The President will make inquiries to see if the Lt. Gov. Lincoln Alexander, Dr. Kenney-Wallace or Dr. Mary Keyes may be free that evening to attend as our guest.
5. It's too early to discuss in detail lunch at the Schwaben Inn in December.
6. A newsletter will be going out sometime in August. With it will be information concerning improved benefits. It will be mailed to all members not to just Ontario retirees as suggested in Item 10 of last month's Minutes.

The next meeting of Council will be on Tuesday, September 11 at 1:00 p.m. in the Board Room, Divinity College.