

McMaster University Retirees Association

COUNCIL MINUTES

Tuesday, May 14, 1991, 1:00 p.m.  
Fyfe Room, Divinity College

Present: Charlie Cook, Bill MacPherson, Dorothy Jacobs, Winn Cramm, Fumi Miyasaka, Gil Murray, Janet Fawcett

Regrets: Blythe Williams, Bill McMicking, Jack Kennedy

By Invitation:

Dr. Gerry King  
John Edwards

1. The President reported that Blythe Williams is progressing satisfactorily following surgery a few days ago. He is in St. Joseph's Hospital, room 726, if anyone would like to express their good wishes for a speedy recovery.
2. A motion was made by Bill MacPherson and seconded by Gil Murray that the Minutes of the previous meeting be approved. Carried.
3. A report from Blythe Williams on the use and need for a computer was distributed to Council. All agreed that such a piece of equipment would be helpful and could be put to good use. The problem that would have to be overcome is one of space. We have nowhere to keep it where users could operate it.

The President will talk once again to Wilf Ward to discuss our urgent need for a larger office.

A motion was made by Bill MacPherson that the decision on the purchase of a computer be put off until Blythe has recovered and is back on Council. Seconded by Gil Murray. Carried.

4. Charlie Cook will be picking up the wheelchair in a few days and then will arrange to have a plaque affixed. It is planned to have the presentation to Wentworth Lodge recorded by the Courier and Spectator. Charlie, Dorothy Jacobs and Janet Fawcett will represent MURA.

5. Dr. Gerry King, MURA's representative on the Pension Trust Committee, submitted his report. Copies of the report will be distributed at the Annual Meeting.

No judgment has as yet been handed down on the case before the court and has no indication when to expect it, but likely will be expected in the fall.

There is no concern regarding the pension fund. It is in good shape and well managed.

MURA is still pressing to have Dr. King as the Association's representative on the PTC. A letter to this effect will be sent to the University President, Dr. Kenney-Wallace.

A vote of thanks was extended to Gerry for his efforts on our behalf on the Pension Trust Committee during the year.

6. Mr. John Edwards, Scholarships Office, joined the meeting. He presented some suggestions for Council to consider in the making of an award to a student.

If a bursary of \$300 were to be granted, this would not affect eligibility for OSAP. annual  
\$300

An award to a student in third or fourth year of the Gerontology program was thought to be appropriate. award  
approved  
at AGM

A motion was made by Janet Fawcett and seconded by Winn Cramm to bring this to the Annual General Meeting for discussion and approval. Carried.

7. The Treasurer, from now on, will issue receipts to members who pay the \$10 annual fee. This has not been done in the past except on request.

8. Canterbury Hills dinner is scheduled for September 12 for which a deposit has been made.

9. An Agenda for the Annual General Meeting was drawn up as follows: Minutes of May 1990 A. G. M.

Financial Report

Computer purchase

Award to a student

Review of activities

Report on Pension Trust Committee by

Dr. Gerry King

Nominations and election of the 1991-92  
Council

10. The President received a call from M arnie Speers to say that she had received an inquiry from the University of Manitoba expressing interest in starting up their own retirees association. Information has been sent along.

This is the fourth university we've heard from asking for information.

It is hoped that in the not too distant future a get together could be arranged, perhaps here at McMaster.

The next meeting of Council is on Tu esday, June 18, at 1:00 p.m. in the Board Room, *DIVINITY COLLEGE*