

McMaster University Retirees Association

COUNCIL MINUTES

Tuesday, January 26, 1993 1.00 p.m.

Gilmour Hall Room 306A

Present: Charlie Cook, Bill McMicking, Joy Baby, Marion Welton, Bill MacPherson  
Dorothy Jacobs, Fumi Miyasaka, John Williamson, Jim Walker.

Regrets: Janet Fawcett, Carm McMullen, Jack Kennedy.

The President Charlie Cook brought the meeting to order and reported that he and some members from Council had met with President Geraldine Kenney-Wallace and Mary Keyes and would report on it later.

Minutes of previous meeting

1. Charlie would like to report on Item #9 and Bill McMicking would like clarification on Item #12.

Add John Williamson to the list of regrets

Item #3 should read Marilyn Elliott and Jean Dushenko.

Moved by Dorothy Jacobs, seconded by Joy Baby that minutes of the previous meeting be approved with corrections. Carried.

New Business

1. A number of letters have been returned "not deliverable". We also have a few members who do not wish to have their names on the mailing list. Charlie, Joy and Fumi will meet to update lists.
2. Charlie Cook, Carm McMullen and Bill MacPherson have discussed candidates for the position of Vice-President. Dorothy Jacobs suggested that we elect two Vice-Presidents. Charlie will continue to work on it but requested any suggestions.
3. Bill McMicking requested clarification on Item 12. Charlie Cook reported that McMaster would pay supplemental insurance if you are out of the country.
4. There have been three retirees since January. Charlie has sent them letters of welcome.
5. John Edwards of the Awards Committee was not available for this meeting. Suggested terms for the awarding of the scholarship were, for a Part-time Gerontology student with the highest cumulative average, but does not specify the year of study.

The Council agreed that the statement needed no changes.

6. Treasurer's Report.

Joy Baby reported that we have cash on hand of \$2,180.

We made \$180 on the bus trip as we had 82 paying guests but were charged for 78.

## 7. Charlie Cook reported that we had a good meeting with President Kenney-Wallace and Mary Keyes, Provost, representing activities primarily student oriented.

1. On the voting privileges for our representative on the Pension Review Committee, the President advised us that the court case is still on appeal and it would not be proper to make changes at this time. Gerry King will still be allowed listening privileges on the Committee.
2. On the difficulties with Personnel, Dr. Kenney-Wallace will check up to see what she can do to help relations with Personnel.
3. We had asked for representation on the Benefits Review Committee. The President has discussed this with Vice-President Sandy Darling and he is agreeable to a retiree representation on the Committee.
4. Mary Keyes was asked re refusal of the Refectory as a "rain date" location. She advised that because we had not used University catering, they faced the possibility of grievances from the Union employees. She suggested that we make an unofficial request directly to her and we would be approved.

She also stated that she has upgraded the services and prices have been lowered. She suggested that we check out the food and the prices and compare them with Links.

5. Our representatives on the new University Centre, Dorothy Jacobs and Jim Walker have been approved, but there is nothing going on at this time. They will advise us when things get going again.
6. President Kenney-Wallace gave us copies of a paper "Planning for change" a strategic plan for restructuring the University. Charlie suggested that those who had not been at the meeting pick up a Courier for their copy.
8. We had another successful Christmas lunch at the Schwaben Inn on December 14. There were 87 present and a good time was had by all.

9. Planning for 1993

1. Nominating Committee to be chosen for the Annual General Meeting in May for new Councillors as well as for a new editor for the Newsletter to replace Gil Murray who is retiring.
2. Joy Baby will follow up on a day trip. A bus trip up north with a cruise and buffet lunch on board. September 20 or 22.

3. Canterbury Hills Dinner--October 14 or 21.
4. Picnic at Dundas Driving Park, June 16, 1993.
5. Our annual Barbeque at the President's home on Tuesday, August 24.
6. Joy Baby will made enquiries on a possible bus trip to Ottawa for next year.

Our next meeting will be Wednesday, March 3rd , Gilmour Hall Room 306A at 1.00 p.m.