## McMaster University Retirees Association

## COUNCIL MEETING

## Wednesday, November 11, 1992

Present: Charlie Cook Janet Fawcett, Joy Baby, Marion Welton, Bill MacPherson Dorothy Jacobs, Jim Walker, Jack Kennedy, Carm McMullen, Fumi Miyasaka

Regrets: Bill McMicking.

1. Minutes of previous meeting

Correction: Should be Bill Langton, not Langdon. Bill is now out of the hospital and is in the Townsview Retirement Centre, 52 Catherine St. N., Room 211, Hamilton, Ontario. L8R 1J1. His phone No. is 521 1528.

Moved by Bill MacPherson and seconded by Janet Fawcett that the minutes be approved. Passed.

- 2. It was reported that 39 attended the dinner at Canterbury Hills, much less than usual, but we were only charged for the 39 present.
- 3. Marion Welton also attended the preretirement sessions as one of our representatives.
- 4. Our President Charlie Cook reported that he has written to Vice-President S. Darling that we have not had any success in checking with Bob Tangney re the Medical Letter and has also requested representation on the Benefits Review Committee.

He has also written about the refusal by Food Services to allow us use of the Refectory as an alternate "rain date" location for our barbeque at the last minute.

He will write a letter to President Dr. Kenney-Wallace requesting a meeting with her as we have not heard from her re our request for representation on the Benefits Review Committee as promised last year. He will mention the refusal of the Refectory for our barbeque (rain date).

- 5. As we no longer have \$2,500 in the bank we have not made any further investments. We now have \$1,859 in the account and the \$3,000 investment.
- 6. There will be no Newsletter till at least January 1993. Last year we did not have any Newsletter in January.
- 7. We have presented the VON with a \$1,000 cheque for the medication pump and have received a letter from Milly Anderson. Joy Baby, Bill MacPherson, Dorothy Jacobs and Charlie Cook attended the presentation.

The Courier will not cover presentations if not on campus, but will accept any articles. We will contact Gil Murray for the article for the Courier.

- 8. We have given a copy of our Constitution to our newest member, Marion Welton.
- 9. Blythe Williams' computer has been sold and Hilda has no idea what has happened to the disks. Charlie Cook will contact the two parties who have purchased the computers and ask that they let us have the disks as a lot of information is on the that would be of no use for them.
- 10. Carm McMullen, Charlie Cook and Bill McPherson will meet to select a new Vice-President. There are 33 new retirees and a new letter has been sent to them. Averil Thompson and a few others have been contacted as possible candidates for Vice-President.
- 11. Marion Welton asked re membership fees. We have changed to a caledar year from fiscal year. Next year the fee reminder will state 1993 membership
- 12. Charlie Cook has received a letter from Matthew Bazoian about out of country medical coverage. Bupplementary insurance should be covered regardless of where retirees live. We should send a written submission to the Benefits Review Committee for an answer.
- 13. We should ask Gil Murray to write articles to the Courier on anything that we undertake. We should also look for a new Newsletter editor since Gil has given us till next June to find a replacement.
- 14. Marion Welton and Joy Baby reported on the Niagara Falls trip. They have chartered one large bus and a smaller bus but the response has been so great that they have seven people on the waiting list. If we can get ten more they can try for a large bus instead of the small bus.

## New Business

- 1. Bill MacPherson has suggested that as we have only \$1,859 in the bank that we not touch it.
- 2. Janet Fawcett suggested that we supply a harness for moving bedridden patients. She will look into costs before our next meeting.
- 3. Marion Elliott spoke to Charlie Cook re Marion Dushenko, due for retirement this year but being allowed to work for a few months since her husband has suddenly passed away. She will not be considered a retiree unless on a pension. Charlie Cook will look into it.
  - 4. There will be no Council meeting in December since we have the Schwaben Lunch on December 14. Charlie will look into a date for the next Council meeting and call members.
- 5. When he receives an anser from the Préident's office regarding a meeting with her, Charlie Cook will contact members.

Meeting adjourned.