

## McMASTER UNIVERSITY RETIREES' ASSOCIATION

**MINUTES** Minutes of the Council Meeting held on Wednesday, December 10th, 1997, at 1:30 p.m. in Gilmour Hall Room B109

**PRESENT:** John McCutcheon (Chair), Joy Baby, Jack Evans, Dora Haisell, Stan Hambleton, Mavis Hubley, Gerry Keech, Jack Maas, Margaret Maggs, Veronica Morrison, George Paul, Averil Thompson, Marion Welton and Brian White

**REGRETS:** Dorothy Matheson

### I Minutes of Previous Meeting

- page 1 heading - change Retiree's Association to Retirees' Association
- page 2 III President's Report line 3 should read "suggestions for re-evaluations of the formula"
- page 2 Benefits paragraph 2 first sentence should read as follows:  
"Margaret Maggs was requested by Council to contact the Director of Pulse regarding information for retirees".
- page 3 Christmas Lunch lines 4 and 5 should read as follows: "... together with Dr. A. Bourns, Honorary President of MURA.."

**Motion:** That (subject to the changes above) the minutes of the November 12th meeting be approved as previously circulated. (John McCutcheon/Jack Maas CARRIED)

### II Business Arising from the Minutes

- a) Market Place December 17th Convocation Hall 12 noon 1:30 p.m. Contributions of musical quilts, baked goods etc., will be gratefully received during the morning.
- b) University Centre - no decision has been made yet regarding the location.
- c) Gilmour Hall Room 317 - Brian White reported that MURA's former office is now being used by Human Resources for storage.

### III President's Report

John had nothing new to report

### IV Treasurer's Report

Dora Haisell presented her report which showed a Credit Union balance of \$3,095.75 on December 9th, 1997.

**Motion:** that the Treasurer's Report be accepted  
(Dora Haisell/Jack Maas CARRIED)



**V Portfolio Reports**

- a) Visitations - sympathy cards will be sent to Mrs. A. Kay and Mrs. A. Corsini. Dean Sheila Scott is in hospital and a card will be sent by Jack Maas.
- b) Trips/Special Events  
Joy Baby reported that the December 2nd trip to Niagara Falls had been very successful. All tickets for the Stage West Dinner Theatre on January 28th, 1998 have now been sold.
- c) Benefits - Margaret Maggs confirmed that the out-of-province major medical coverage is \$10,000 per individual (not per family). Bob Tangney is still working on communications with retirees.
- d) Courier - Veronica Morrison was not too pleased with the "fractured copy" about Stage West which had been published in Courier.
- e) Membership - Gerry Keech had nothing to report at this time.
- f) MURAL - It was agreed to publish a January/February '98 edition for "Active" members. Copy is to be given to Averil no later than Wednesday January 14 (date of our next meeting). May 20th or 27th are possible dates for the Annual General Meeting. Brian White will check re possible locations for the meeting and John McCutcheon will check on the availability of the President's House for refreshments to follow (on May 20th or 27th).
- g) Christmas Lunch - 70 people attended.  
A big thank you to all the people who helped to make it such a success! John McCutcheon will write a note of thanks to Jim Miyasaka.
- h) Pension Working Group - Jack Evans reported that the <sup>annual</sup> Board of Governors will be asked to approve the Pension <sup>and</sup> Trust Committee's revised terms of reference and Constitution on December 11. Bob Tangney has not yet produced the revised pension plan text. Gerry King wants to amend the pension plan formula for increases now but is not being supported by other employee groups.

**VI Next Meeting** will be held on Wednesday, January 14th, 1998 at 1:30 p. m. in Gilmour Hall Room B109.

**VII Adjournment**

There being no other business, the meeting adjourned at approximately 3:10 p.m. (A.Thompson, Temporary Sec'y)