

McMASTER UNIVERSITY RETIREES' ASSOCIATION

MINUTES Minutes of the Council Meeting held on Wednesday, March 4, 1998 at 12 noon in Gilmour Hall Room 204

PRESENT: J. Evans, D. Haisell, S. Hambleton, M. Hubley,
G. Keech, M. Maggs, D. Matheson, J. McCutcheon (Chair)
V. Morrison, A. Thompson *Brian White*

REGRETS: J. Baby, J. Maas, G. Paul, M. Welton

I Minutes of Previous Meeting

It was MOVED by D. Haisell, seconded by S. Hambleton that the Minutes of the February 11th meeting be approved with the following amendments:

Under Treasurer's Report - the balance on hand should read \$3,580.27.

Under Item III(b) - should read ... more details regarding this event will be required prior to MURA becoming involved in planning this event.

Under Item V - Nominating Committee. Add the following sentences ... All members of the executive have agreed to stand for re-election. A formal report from the Nominating Committee will be presented at the next meeting.

Under Item VI - Benefits. Should read ... J. Evans reported there had been another problem with Sun Life. D. Haisell stated that the person referred to at the previous meeting has had his problem resolved.

Under AGM/BBQ - line 3 should read ... The Gazebo will be available for our use.

Under Pension Report - line 4 should read ... MURA should continue to forge stronger links

CARRIED

II Business Arising

(a) Proposed change to Constitution

It was MOVED by M. Maggs, seconded by M. Hubley that an amendment to the Constitution as proposed at the meeting of February 11, 1998, item II (c) should be expanded to add the following after the words "Canadian University" .~~*~~ on whom Council has bestowed Associate membership.

CARRIED

G. Keech noted that the name of H. Petch has appeared on the data base. Gerry also defined the terms of Regular and Associate membership

3-03 *The holder of a pension from another University*

Business Arising (cont'd)

(b) Representative re MUFF Campus event.
The Chair advised that he will meet with A.L. Darling's Secretary in order to obtain more information regarding this event.

III Treasurer's Report

D. Haisell circulated the Financial Review for March, 1998 which indicated a balance of \$4,345.99. It was MOVED by D. Haisell, seconded by J. Evans that the Treasurer's Report be approved.

CARRIED

Dora also mentioned that a University cheque in the amount of \$10 in payment of "annual donation" had been received from K. G. Lamont. Brian White was not in favour of MURA accepting this type of cheque and will take the matter under advisement.

IV Nominating Committee

The report of this Committee was distributed to Council. J. Evans advised that the composition of the committee is as follows:

Chair - J. Evans

V. Morrison)
)Council
M. Hubley)

W. Mousley)
)Non-Council
J. Walker)

J. Evans stated that G. Paul may have to step down from Council due to health problems, and should this unfortunately occur, a replacement will be found. It was MOVED by J. Evans and seconded by B. White that this report be accepted.

CARRIED

V Portfolio Reports

- Visitation

J. Maas was not present, but D. Haisell advised she had received a letter and donation from Jean McCallion advising Council of the current deteriorating state of health of Bill

McCallion. He is presently in Ward 4C at the Medical Centre.

- Trips/Special Events

In the absence of J. Baby, M. Hubley advised that the "Fiddle and Step" event on April 9th will proceed as planned. A Stratford outing may be possible in September of this year.

J. Evans suggested our membership might be interested in the "Magic Show" at Niagara-on-the-Lake which he had attended and found immensely entertaining.

D. Haisell had received a note from D. Dwyer enquiring if persons wishing to join our group in Toronto would be eligible for a reduced rate since they would not be using the bus. This query will be referred to J. Baby for response.

- Benefits

M. Maggs stated she had met with Debbie Marinoff at the Athletic Centre and distributed to Council an outline of the Centre's activities. This outline will appear in the forthcoming issue of the MURAL.

- Courier

V. Morrison advised that information had been sent to the Courier for publication in the March issue.

- Membership

G. Keech had remarked on membership earlier at today's meeting. He stated that there would be 1,067 recipients of the March/April issue of the MURAL.

- MURAL

Material for the current issue of the MURAL was collected by A. Thompson. A date of March 16th (or earlier) for mailing was discussed but Averil will make a final decision on a mailing date and advise those participating.

- AGM/BBQ

S. Hambleton advised that Links had been contacted regarding food and he had booked for 70 guests. The suggestion was made that a notice appear in the MURAL requesting retirees to bring their own chair to this event.

- Pension Report

J. Evans advised that the Pension Working Group had met

Pension Report (cont'd)

and reached agreement on the base level of expenses to be charged against the Pension Fund. Jack has now received a copy of the Revised Pension Text from the Faculty Association and will review this document.

VII Other Business

D. Haisell had received a note of thanks from Lorna Somers, Director of Development thanking MURA for their scholarship contribution.

Regrets for the April 8th meeting were given to the Secretary by D. Haisell and M. Maggs.

VIII The next meeting will be held on April 8th at 1:30 p.m. in Gilmour Hall Room 110D.

The meeting adjourned at 1:25 p.m.