

## **McMASTER UNIVERSITY RETIREES' ASSOCIATION**

Minutes of the Council Meeting held on Wednesday June 14, 2000, at 1.30 pm, in Gilmour Hall Room 204

Present: Gerry Keech (chair), Joy Baby, Jessie Dunlop, Frank Drieman, Jack Evans, Dora Haisell, Stan Hambleton, Mavis Hubley, Margaret Maggs, John McCutcheon, Anne Sinclair, Averil Thompson, and Bonnie White

Regrets: Veronica Morrison

Absent : Herb Jenkins

Gerry Keech welcomed all present including our two new council members, Jessie Dunlop and Bonnie White.

### **1. Approval of the Minutes of May 10, 2000**

Foot of page 3 - Change Veronica Morrison President to Veronica Morrison Vice President.

Motion: that, subject to the above change, the minutes of the previous meeting held on May 10, 2000 be approved as previously circulated (Jack Evans/Joy Baby Carried)

### **2. Business arising from the Minutes**

Jack Evans will try to book Ken Hall as speaker at the dinner on Tuesday, September 12 at the Hamilton Chamber of Commerce.

### **3. Review of the Minutes of 15th AGM**

Add as item #13 - Doug Clifford thanked the Council for their hard work for the Retirees' Association.

Motion: that, subject to the above addition, the minutes of the AGM on May 24 be endorsed for presentation and approval at the next AGM (Jack Evans/Anne Sinclair Carried)

Motion: that the ballots used at the AGM be destroyed (John McCutcheon /Margaret Maggs Carried)

### **4. Correspondence**

Gerry had received notification that expansion of the "fee for service" modem pool will be limited to the 56K pool. Consequently those using the 33.6K pool are advised to switch.

### **5. President's Remarks**

Gerry thanked the Council for the lovely bowl of fruit and for the card which he had received in hospital.



## 6. Treasurer's Report

There was little to report except that Link's bill of \$1,035 had been paid and that the balance in the account at the end of May was \$386.68

## 7. Assignment of Portfolios and Responsibilities

It was agreed that the work would be allocated as follows:

Membership	Gerry Keech (Bonnie White)
Visitations	Stan Hambleton
Trip/Special Events	Joy Baby/Mavis Hubley/Anne Sinclair
MURAL/Courier	Veronica Morrison (Averil Thompson)
AGM/Annual Buffet	Stan Hambleton/Mavis Hubley
Christmas Lunch	Bonnie White
Benefits	Margaret Maggs
Pension Matters	Jack Evans (Frank Drieman)
Pension Trust	Frank Drieman
MUFF	John McCutcheon
MUFA Liaison	Herb Jenkins
MUSA Liaison	Frank Drieman
University Relations	Pres./V-Pres./P-Pres.
Backup for Secretary	Veronica Morrison
Understudy, Treasurer	Jessie Dunlop

It was agreed that an understudy/possible successor for Margaret Maggs should be identified. Gerry mentioned that thought needed to be given to the future integration of accounts and the appointment of a new auditor.

## 8. MUFF Report

John McCutcheon said that the committee had re-convened on June 7 to work out details regarding the exact manner in which previously approved allocations should be spent. They decided to:

- provide, each year for undergraduate students, three in course awards of \$1,500 each and one \$500 award for a graduate student, these awards being for children of members of the Salaried Staff Pension Plan;
- use \$100,000 for campus beautification to be spent on central campus expansion of gardens and walkways;
- use \$50,000 to set up a fund for an influenza vaccination program for faculty and salaried staff;
- provide \$100,000 to the Audio-Visual Dep't to purchase further LCD's (liquid crystal diodes).

In the coming year \$918,000 will be available and proposals for ways in which to spend this money will be welcomed by members of the MUFF committee.

## 9. Other Business

- a) Dora Haisell reported that Barry Diacon is very willing to share with MURA retiree information that he receives from Human Resources.



b) AGM Buffet - Dora said that attendance was down this year to 70. Frand Drieman was not impressed with the quality and presentation of the Link's food, especially when compared with the buffet provided by Food Services at the luncheon on June 8. (Link's charged us approximately \$10.25 per person but the Food Services price was not known.)

c) Jack Evans was pleased with the recognition retirees had received in the Changing Tomorrow Today leaflet mailed with the June/July MURAL.

#### **10. Next Meeting**

The next meeting of the Council will be held on Wednesday, September 13, 2000, at 1.30 pm in Gilmour Hall, Room 204.

#### **11. Adjournment**

John McCutcheon moved the adjournment and the meeting ended at approximately 2.30 pm.

Averil Thompson  
Secretary

Gerry Keech  
President