

MINUTES OF THE FIFTH MEETING
OF THE
CONCORDIA UNIVERSITY PENSIONERS' ASSOCIATION
HELD ON
OCTOBER 25, 1989
AT 1100 HOURS
IN THE SGW FACULTY CLUB

5.1 Call to Order

- 5.1.1 The meeting was called to order at 1107. Bordan welcomed everyone, and commented once again on the presence of new faces.

5.2 Approval of Agenda

- 5.2.1 The agenda was approved (John Hall/Dagmar McDougall).

5.3 Approval of Minutes

- 5.3.1 There was a correction to the minutes of May 3, 1989. Minute 4.9 reads "Gardham and Osborne were acclaimed to their positions on the executive for a further two year period." This should have read "Gardham and Osborne were acclaimed to their positions for a regular three year term." With this correction the minutes were approved (Jack Ufford/Vince Drolet).

5.4 Remarks from the Chair

- 5.4.1 Bordan advised the meeting that Dorothy Clarke had just informed him that Bob and Isobel Rae (former SGW Principal) will shortly be celebrating their 50th wedding anniversary. It was agreed that a congratulatory letter should be sent.
- 5.4.2 In accordance with Minute 4.6.1 Dr. Cohen, Vice-Rector Institutional Relations and Finance, and Dawn Johnson, Benefits Administrator, have been invited to attend today's meeting. They will each make a short presentation, and answer questions from the floor.
- 5.4.3 Further to discussions we have had regarding University privileges, Bordan informed the meeting that library privileges are available to us with an I.D. card, which may be obtained from Human Resources.

5.5 Business Arising

- 5.5.1 Our Constitution and By-Laws have been translated into French and copies are available from the secretary-treasurer.
- 5.5.2 Whitelaw reported on the potential member's survey (Minute 4.4.4). He circulated a Draft CUPA Member Survey, to determine which questions might be asked on the full membership survey. He asked that those present respond to this preliminary questionnaire by November 3rd. He would then work with Professors Chaikelson and Maag to see what could be done on our behalf. He explained that we are not expected to answer the questions, but simply to indicate on the draft whether this is the kind of information we are interested in producing.
- 5.5.3 Whitelaw had received a letter from Professor Randy Swedburg saying that they are always looking for people to give Elderhostel courses. He would be pleased to receive ideas from our members.
- 5.5.4 Dr. Cohen will likely bring us up to date on our request for membership on the Benefits Committee.

5.6 Secretary-Treasurer's Report

- 5.6.1 The Secretary-Treasurer gave a verbal report on the state of our finances.
- 5.6.2 We have lost four members in the past year. Jean Archambault, Vivian Bailey and Bill Reay have passed away, and Dorothy Black wrote to say that she has been retired so long that names and events reported in our minutes, as well as in the Thursday Report have no meaning for her. She has asked that her name be taken off the membership list.
- 5.6.3 On a more positive note, we have gained 12 new members this year, most of them through the Application Form we supplied to Human Resources.
- 5.6.4 Our current credit balance is approximately \$ 969.
- 5.6.5 Members will shortly be receiving from Mr. D. Devenne, of Ancillary Services, a letter inviting us to make use of the Faculty Clubs on both the Sir George and Loyola Campus; both Dining Rooms and Bars will welcome us.

Dr. Maurice Cohen and Dawn Johnson arrived at the meeting.

5.8 Presentation by Vice-Rector, Institutional Relations and Finance

5.8.1 Dr. Cohen provided a "State of the Union" statement, in which he talked about the progress on the downtown Library Building, and the development of a University Mission Statement. He said that our request for membership on the Benefits Committee will be met in the context of the new Quebec Pension Law. This new law will require many changes in the way the Pension Fund is to be managed, and these changes will include participation by pensioners.

5.8.2 Dawn Johnson said that she appreciated feedback from pensioners, and assured the meeting that her department in Human Resources wants to continue to serve our members in an appropriate manner.

5.8.3 Both guests thanked the association for the invitation to attend our meeting and were thanked by the Chair for having made their presentations.

5.8.4 The presentations were followed by a question and answer session with the members, in which various details of pension and insurance coverage were discussed.

5.8.5 After the visitors left the membership agreed that the visit had been useful and to invite the Vice-Rector and Benefits Administrator again next year.

5.7 Christmas luncheon

5.7.1 Our Christmas luncheon will be held on December 13, 1989, in the Loyola Faculty Club Dining Room. An invitation, with all pertinent information, is attached.

5.9 Appointment of Nominating Committee

A Nominating Committee for the Spring elections was appointed, consisting of

Alberta Boswall
John Hall
Bill Cozens

Mona Osborne as a member of the current executive, will be the convenor of the Committee. It was moved and seconded (McDougall/Richardson-Flynn) that the Nominating Committee be accepted. Carried. Positions to be filled at the Spring

meeting are Vice-President and one member-at-large (Whitelaw and Van Toch).

5.10 Other Business

None.

5.11 Annual General Meeting

5.11.1 The Annual General Meeting will be held on May 2, 1990. Notice of Meeting and Agenda will be sent out in plenty of time.

5.12 Adjournment

5.12.1 The meeting adjourned at 1220.

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