

UNIVERSITY OF SASKATCHEWAN RETIREES ASSOCIATION
ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 9, 2002

1. CALL TO ORDER

President Iain MacLean called the meeting to order at 4:30 p.m.

2. MINUTES OF 2001 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Moved by Les Coleman, seconded by Serge Federoff: That the Minutes of the 2001 Annual General meeting be adopted as circulated. CARRIED.

3. PRESIDENT'S REPORT

President Iain MacLean presented a brief summary of the major events of the past year. He cited that the Christmas Reception, the Symposium on " Wills and Trusts" and the annual Barbecue were well attended. He thanked Les Coleman for his tireless work in trying to increase membership in the USRA. Iain also made reference to the mandate of the Association and described it as a work in progress. He extended his appreciation for the support given by all members of the Executive.

Motion: Moved by Doris Hasell: That the President's report be accepted. Seconded by Doug Schmeiser. CARRIED.

4. TREASURER'S REPORT

Bob Woods, presented a brief report on the financial status of the Association. He stated that because of the increase in membership fees (currently \$15.00) we have been able to meet our expenditures. Life memberships total 36. Bob concluded by stating that, financially, the Association is in good shape (see attached report)

Motion: Moved by Bob Woods that the Treasurer's report be accepted. Seconded by Hans Dommasch. CARRIED.

5. PENSION AND BENEFITS

Doug Knott reported that he had investigated the possibility of obtaining an alternative "Medical Group Plan" for members of the USRA. After consulting with Blue Cross on several occasions, it was decided that the available alternate plans were not beneficial. The idea was subsequently dropped. Doug also mentioned that according to the last Actuarial report, the plan had lost some money because of the fluctuations in the market, but overall, the plan is in reasonable good shape.

After some discussion, Peter Lane asked for additional information on the operation of the plan. e.g. People in charge of investments, etc.

Doug stated that he will look into the matter.

MOTION: Moved by Doug Knott: That the Pensions and Benefits Committee report be accepted. Seconded by Dean Botham. CARRIED.

6. OFFICE SERVICES

Les Coleman indicated that the office is staffed daily but it will be closed during the summer. He extended his thanks to all who assisted in staffing the office. He expressed the need for the following:

- (i) Additional assistance so that the office can be staffed by two people
- (ii) Although he has Email addresses for almost all members he requested address information from all members.
- (iii) Information that can be included in the recently installed Web Site.

MOTION: Moved by Les Coleman: That the Office Services Committee report be accepted. Seconded by Doris Hasell. CARRIED.

7. MEMBERSHIPS

Les Coleman reported that memberships to date are following previous patterns. Fifty percent of eligible members have fully paid their annual fees. He also indicated that "Life Time Membership" appears to be very popular. Approximately 60 members have used the option of taking out Life Time Memberships.

(See attached report)

MOTION: Moved by Les Coleman that the Membership Committee report be accepted. Seconded by Ted Hammer. CARRIED.

8. SOCIAL RECREATION

Pat Lawson reported briefly on the activities of the past year. Of particular interest was the Annual Barbecue which was very successful.

MOTION: Moved by Pat Lawson: That the Social Recreation Committee report be accepted. Seconded by Norah Carey. CARRIED

9. EDUCATION.

Doug Schmeiser reported briefly on the Symposium, "Will, Trusts.... He indicated that it was well attended and was very successful in bringing necessary and relevant information to members.

He suggested that a change from Saturday to a week day might help to increase attendance in the future. He also requested ideas for future seminars.

MOTION: Moved by Doug Schmeiser that the Education Committee report be accepted
SECONDED by Jim Woods. CARRIED

10. NOMINATION COMMITTEE REPORT:

Doris Hasell presented the following nominations for approval.

President - Norah Carey
Vice-President - Joel Gajadharsingh
Secretary - Yvonne Cuttle
Treasurer - Bob Woods

Doris also requested the assistance from members to fill positions on the Executive.

MOTION: Moved by Doris Hasell that the Nominations Committee Report be accepted. Seconded by Bob Woods. CARRIED.

11. OTHER BUSINESS

None.

ADJOURNMENT: Moved by Les Coleman that the meeting be adjourned.