

UNIVERSITY OF GUELPH RETIREES ASSOCIATION
Executive Committee Meeting
Arboretum Centre Board Room
Minutes, December 7, 2010

Members present: R Downey, G Frankie, P Keddie, D Lockie, D Paramskas, E Reiche, B Ryan, C Stewart.

Regrets: B Hamilton, J Holt, P Landoni, M Sears

1. **Meeting called to order** at 1:30 by D Lockie
2. **Approval of Agenda.** Moved and seconded by P Keddie and E Reiche. It was noted that the date of the Minutes to be approved was incorrect. Motion carried with correction.
3. **Approval of November 2, 2010 Minutes.** Moved and seconded by B Ryan and P. Keddie. Motion carried.
4. **Business Arising from Minutes.** No business arising.
5. **Speakers Forum Update.** The committee approved the date of April 5, 2011, from 2:00 to 4:00 pm for the planned forum. The Ad Hoc Speakers' Forum Committee recommended three topics: Benefits, Tax Issues, and Fraud Prevention for Retirees. Third Age Learning's technique for question period was recommended.
6. **Website Reconstruction.** D Paramskas distributed the latest changes to the website, and gave a progress report on the development of the site.
7. **Ad Policy.** B Ryan introduced the issue of accepting advertisements in the Newsletter. Until now the Newsletter has not accepted advertisements. Prior to the distribution of last issue of the newsletter, he was approached by Waterloo Insurance that offers a group insurance plan through CURAC of which the UGRA is a member. The company wished to place a display ad in the newsletter but he explained that as the UGRA had a policy against carrying ads, he suggested that he write a piece for the newsletter explaining to our members the nature of the company's offer. He asked that the Executive Committee consider permitting an ad from Waterloo Insurance because of its formal agreement with CURAC. General consensus was that the policy of no advertisements be continued unless there is a formal connection of the advertiser with the UGRA.
8. **Out of Country Newsletter Mailings.** B Ryan outlined the byzantine process by which the Newsletter gets delivered to retirees in the United States and other countries. It was agreed that the details of the process must somehow be remembered so that the

next editor of the Newsletter is aware of them.

9: **Committee Reports.**

- a) J Holt arranged for the distribution of a financial report for the last year. He recommended that the UGRA buy two three-year GICs with the balance in the Savings Account. The committee agreed, provided the “anniversary date” meant annually, and not every three years.
- b) No report
- c) D Lockie reported on the current situation regarding the Pension Fund.
- d) R Downey reported there had been no applicants this year for the UGRA scholarship.
- e) No report
- f) No report
- g) No report
- h) No further report on Newsletter beyond issues discussed in 7 and 8 above.
- i) No report

10: **Other Business.** No other business.

11: **Adjournment.** D Lockie adjourned the meeting at 3:28 pm.