# St. Clair College Retiree Association Annual General Membership Minutes May 10, 2006 South Campus Residence 3:00 p.m.

# 1. Adoption of Agenda

A motion was made by Bill Totten to adopt the agenda for the May 10, 2006 meeting. Gary Docherty seconded the motion. **CARRIED** 

### 2. Minutes of Previous Meeting

A motion was made by J. Ertel to approve the minutes of the 2005 Annual General Membership Meeting. Seconded by Ron DiMenna. **CARRIED Presidents remarks:** 

Pat Hallahan thanked Del Zangari for the fantastic job she is doing on the newsletter. He updated all on how Heather Dube was doing and that Carol Pratt will be doing the Goodwill until Heather returns. Gary Docherty is the Benefits resource. Dan Loncke has taken on the St. Clair College Bridge Club. There are between 12-20 members. Art Rae did a seminar on Digital Cameras for 25 people. Pat, Bill, Gary and Jay will be putting on a Retirement Workshop for approximately 40 new retirees. The Tutoring Services has requested help with tutoring students. John Charlesworth, Jim Gretes, John Martel and Dan Loncke have all tutored this year. The rate per hour is \$25.00.

# 3. Membership Committee Report

Anita Blair reported that the President had paid the membership fees for all retirees for the past 2 years. This year he will match the membership fees that we collect. There are 198 paid members to date and there are 385 members.

### 4. Social Committee Report

John Charlesworth reported that the group will be heading to Stratford on Monday. The Annual Fall BBQ will be held on September 4, 2006. There will be a Winery Tour in October and the Christmas Party will be for approximately 150, so get your tickets early. If you have any suggestions for social outings, please give John Charlesworth a call.

# 5. Education Committee Report

Jim Chambers reported that there will be Meet and Mingle Luncheons on September 28<sup>th</sup> – Windsor/Thames Campus Retirees, October 26<sup>th</sup> luncheon after the RM Classic Car tour and November 16<sup>th</sup> – "No Reason Get Together" at Applebee's. There are three Meet and Learn Workshops. January was "How to Use that Digital Camera" with Art Rae, March was "Your Financial Portfolio" with Cindy Duggal. April was "On-line Banking" with Rick Erwin and May 11<sup>th</sup> is "birding at Point Pelee" with Dick Grolman. There are on going activities – Bridge with Dan Loncke and Carving, Wood Burning, Painting, TBA.

# **6.** Thames Campus Committee Report

J. Ertel reported that the Thames Retirees met throughout the year on the last Wednesday of each month for a social luncheon. We wish to thank Mark Janisse for arranging the guest speakers. The members also wish to thank Eunice Robinson, our Social Convener for taking care of all of the social arrangements and keeping the members informed throughout the year.

Members from the Windsor Chapter of the Retirees joined the Thames Chapter for a luncheon meeting in September at the Lighthouse Restaurant, Lighthouse Cove, for the RM Classic Cars Tour on October 26, 2005 and for an information session and tour at the Buxton National Historic Site and Museum. All of these events were very successful. RM, based in Blenheim, is the world's largest volume dealer in classic and collector cars. They typically have a \$10m inventory of investment grade vehicles catering to collectors of prewar classic and important post-war sports cars. We hope to continue with joint luncheons and events in 2006/2007. The annual Christmas Party was held at the Country View Golf club on the evening of December 14, 2005. The evening with a visit from Santa was fun filled and enjoyed by all.

The members continue to appreciate the warm, receptive environment that Dr. Strasser has created for retirees at the College and we wish to thank him for his support.

# 7. Archive Committee Report

Bill Totten reported that the Archive Project has been severely restricted since last November, 2005 due to planned construction activities in room 45J which has not yet been started although we were evicted in November. This construction is required to provide utilities for the Student Centre expansion.

The major advancement this year has been the purchase of software, which will be used to record each item in the archive collection. The Surpass software will allow us to record each time with a complete description, which permits cross-referencing of the content. This will enable us to find times by a variety of descriptions. The college has upgraded the computer equipment as well.

Additions this year include a collection of convocation material, which has led to a compilation of the history of all convocations – back to the days of WOIT. We have also made considerable progress in the classification of photographs. This will now be entered into the Surpass system.

There is still considerable work to be done and as soon as room 45J becomes available we will welcome anyone who wishes to become involved.

# 8. Treasurer's Report

ST CLAIR COLLEGE RETIREE ASSOCIATION TREASURER'S REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2005 (with projection for year ended december 31, 2006)

ACTUAL 2005	
\$1,500.00	\$1,870.00
868.39	200.00
	1,870.00
1.22	
\$2,369.61	\$3,940.00
	\$500.00
\$1,047.38	800.00
80.00	200.00
429.80	
167.35	
376.40	
	300.00
95.16	1600.00
\$2,196.09	\$4,400.00
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# 9. Elections

- J. Ertel reported:
- Welcome the retirees/nice to see so many out
- As Chair, Nominating Cttee, I want to hear from you if you are interested in serving in the future on our **Executive**
- We want your involvement with **Special Events** or **Projects** such as **Student Reunions**, **Benefits Research**, **SCC History Projects** or **Educational Seminars**
- What do we do? Check out our Web Site. <a href="www.stclaircollege.ca">www.stclaircollege.ca</a> (staff and retirees).
   Brian Agar has done a super job in updating our site with Activities/Newsletters/Picture Gallery.
   Brian we thank you.
- Our Social Events are fun. We need your ideas and help. John Charlesworth and Carol Pratt, Social Convenors, need ongoing assistance. Have and idea/call John or Carol.

# **Nominating Committee Report**

The Nominating Cttee. Recommends these Nominees to serve as Association Officers for the next year. There are three changes from the current Executive with Jim Martin taking on the Vice President role, Bill Totten completing his time as Past President and Jim Chambers leaving the Education Committee. Jim will continue to perform the audit function.

#### Officers:

Past President Pat Hallahan
President Jay Ertel
Vice President Jim Martin
Membership Coordinator Anita Blair
Recording Secretary Carol Pratt
Treasurer John Payne
Chatham-Kent Rep Elizabeth Barr

#### **Committees:**

Social Convenors John Charlesworth, Carol Pratt

Newsletter Editor Del Zangari

Goodwill Committee Heather Milne-Dube

Telephone Committee Sue Korchnak/Eunice Robinson

Web Site Maintenance Brian Agar

Education Committee TBA

Benefits Committee Gary Docherty

**Election** to follow request for any nominations from the floor at the AGM

Ron DiMenna motioned to accept the recommendations for the 2006-2007 Executive. Paul Balkwill seconded the motion. **CARRIED** 

J. Ertel thanked Pat Hallahan for his dedication and commitment to the SCCRA. Jay also thanked Bill Totten for his many years of service to the association. The St. Clair College Retirees Association would like Bill Totten to work as a President Emeritus, with a lifetime appointment. Thank you Bill, for a job well done.

#### 10. Other Business

John Strasser welcomed questions from the retirees. Have they hired a new Vice President, Academic? No, but they will be interviewing next week.

What is happening with Huron Lodge? There have been some delays and we are not sure when it will be ready.

What is happening with the Cleary? I met with City Council about two weeks ago and they will be providing us with a Letter of Intent.

Rhodes Campus is sold and St. Michael's is moving out of South Campus.

There could be a Thames Residence by the Fall 2007.