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AGENDA

for the General Meeting on Monday, January 18, 1999, 10:00 a.m. in the Council Chambers (Gilmour Hall 111)

- 1. MINUTES of the Annual General Meeting, April 22, 1998
- 2. BUSINESS ARISING
- 3.**REMUNERATION BRIEF** -- D. Hitchcock
- 4. PRESIDENT'S REPORT -- L. J. King
- 5. OTHER BUSINESS



NEWSLETTER ARTICLES

Teaching & Academic Librarianship Awards

NOMINATIONS are invited from individuals, informal groups of faculty or students, or both, and such organizations as local faculty associations, faculty or college councils, university committees concerned with teaching and learning, librarians, local student councils, departments, alumni, etc.

GUIDELINES to assist in organizing a nomination should be consulted by prospective nominators and are available on request from your Faculty Association Office or the Provincial Office of OCUFA.

Nominations must include a covering nomination form, a nominator's brief, and sufficient evidence, from as many sources as possible, to make it clear that outstanding work deserving of recognition has been done.

DEADLINE for receipt of nominations: February 19, 1999.

The original and six copies of the submission should be sent to:

OCUFA Teaching & Academic Librarianship Awards Committee

27 Carlton Street, Suite 400

Toronto, Ontario M5B 1L2

INQUIRIES TO: 416-979-2117 or your Faculty Association Office (ext. 24682; mufa@mcmaster.ca)

MUFF Committee Approves Conference Support for 1998/99

The Committee charged with distributing monies from the McMaster University Future Fund has agreed to allocate \$100,000 for Conference Support in 1998/99. The Committee's Report (September 29, 1998) states:

In the period July 1 1998 to June 30, 1999 a member of faculty who is the author of a paper presented at a conference will receive an allocation of \$300 towards conference expenses. (A faculty member may receive only one such allocation in the period).

For 1998-99 this programme will be extended to include staff who make a formal presentation at a provincial, national or international conference of an organisation that is appropriate to the employee's employment activity at McMaster. (A staff member may receive only one such allocation in the period.)

The Hazards of Search and Replace

Shep Siegel (Psychology) writes:

In the course of preparation for an SCA (Senate Committee on Appointments) meeting, I checked the McMaster "Anti-Discrimination" policy on the Web. The Web version of the policy lists the prohibited grounds for discrimination (age, colour, creed, etc.), and the last item on this list is (or was, then) "sexual welcome week". I asked Joan Morris, the Secretary of Senate, what that meant. Her answer is below:

Re: sexual welcome week. You mean you've been missing it all these years?!

Actually, that phrase should read "sexual orientation" and we are in the process of correcting it. I expect that, at some point, some zealous soul decided that all of our policies should be politically correct and the computer was instructed to change all references to "orientation" to "Welcome Week". This had at last one interesting result which you have kindly brought to our attention.

Don't Forget

MUFA General Meeting

January 18, 1999, 10:00 am, Council Chambers

Discussion of this year's REMUNERATION BRIEF



Horace Dulmage

Department of Philosophy



Dr. Horace Dulmage, Emeritus Professor of Philosophy, passed from our midst on September 6 at the age of 88. Born on March 3, 1910, Dr. Dulmage obtained his BA from McMaster in 1937, his BD, also from McMaster, in 1940. He joined McMaster's faculty as Lecturer in the Department of Philosophy and Psychology in 1943 and retired in 1975. He was the Chair of the Department of Philosophy from 1957 to 1964 and President of the Faculty Association in 1959/60. Under his guidance, the Department of Philosophy developed from being an undergraduate department to one which now offers both a Master's degree and a PhD (the latter jointly with the University of Guelph).

Dr. Dulmage earned his PhD from the University of Chicago in 1951. His academic interests were centred around Metaphysics and the Philosophy of Religion. He was influenced by the philosophy of Alfred North Whitehead, and retained a lively concern about the relationship between philosophy and psychology.

He was a committed teacher, offering courses on a wide variety of topics. His work was always carefully prepared, and his students were awed by his erudition. He was essentially a modest individual, always looking out for the concerns of his junior colleagues, rather than his own interests. A model of integrity and fairness, he was well liked by students and colleagues. He also liked the North, and was fond of working with wood. In that sense he exhibited a well balanced life, enriching his intellectual leanings with a love of the outdoors, the skills of a craftsman, and the enjoyment of family life. He leaves his wife of 59 years, Florence, two sons, Roy and Fred, and two grandchildren, Heather and Scott.

[The above article was prepared by John R. A. Meyer, Professor Emeritus of Philosophy at Brock University, a former student of Dr. Dulmage who taught in McMaster's Philosophy Department from 1959 to 1964 before moving to Brock.]