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Indefinite Postponement of APRUO Annual General Meeting

In view of the current COVID-19 pandemic, the APRUO's annual general meeting (AGM), scheduled for 10 June 2020, has been indefinitely postponed.

According to the APRUO Constitution, article 7, section a, the annual general meeting must be held within 13 months of the previous AGM, which took place on 29 May 2019. But the Administrative Committee has agreed unanimously that because of the unforeseen present circumstances (a "force majeure" event), the AGM will be postponed until such time as it is safe and permitted to hold public gatherings. APRUO members, in particular, need to be careful at the present time, so no meeting will be contemplated until such time as it is safe to do so.

In the meantime, please take good care everyone.

Extension of Mandates for Administrative Committee Members

Again, because of the current COVID-19 pandemic, the members of the APRUO Administrative Committee whose mandates officially terminate this coming spring have agreed to continue to serve as members of the CA until such time as the next Annual General Meeting can be called.

Appel pour un bénévole / Call for Website Volunteer

L'APRUO a entamé les travaux de création d'un nouveau site Internet pour l'association en collaboration avec l'APAR (Association du Personnel Administratif Retraité). Douglas Clayton pour l'APRUO et Roger Chagnon pour l'APAR étudient la possibilité d'un site Web commun pour les deux associations. Tout membre possédant une expertise dans la création et la gestion de sites Web et disposé à participer à un groupe de travail sur la question est prié de contacter Douglas Clayton (jdclayt@uottawa.ca).

The APRUO has begun work on the creation of a new website for the association in collaboration with the Support Staff Retirees Association (SSRA / APAR). Douglas Clayton for the APRUO and Roger Chagnon for the SSRA are examining the possibility of a joint website for the two associations. Any members have expertise in the creation and management of websites and are willing to participate in a working group on the subject are requested to contact Douglas Clayton (jdclayt@uottawa.ca).

Important Income Tax Reminder

This article concerns the documents and/or information that APRUO members must include with their 2019 income tax returns. There has been some slight confusion voiced by several members on the following requirements

Residents of Quebec must include the information and/or documents described below in paragraphs 1, 2, and 3 on their Quebec income tax returns. Residents of other provinces need only include the information slips described in paragraphs 1 and 2.

- 1) The T4A slip(s) mailed out by RBC (Royal Bank) indicating total pension income for the year, along with income tax withheld. For Quebec residents there are two slips, one for the CRA and one for Revenue Québec. Residents of other provinces only need a single information slip.
- 2) A second T4A slip issued by the University showing the premium paid out by the University for the retiree life insurance benefit. This is indicated in Box 119. The amount is a taxable benefit both federally and in Quebec.

- a) For Ontario residents, who submit only one tax return for both federal and provincial income tax, this T4A slip is all they need. But Quebec residents must remember to report this amount (in box 119) as « Autre revenu » (Other income) on their Quebec returns.
 - b) The University sends this T4A slip to members by regular mail upon request; otherwise the slip is available electronically at the Human Resources website.
- 3) A letter from the University issued only to Quebec residents indicating the amount (taxable only in Quebec) paid out to the member for medical/dental expenses from their Health Care Spending Account (HCSA). This letter must be attached to your Quebec tax return.
- a) In other provinces (and federally), reimbursements out of the HCSA are not considered taxable; therefore, residents of other provinces do NOT receive this letter.
 - b) The University sends this T4A slip to members electronically by e-mail. Upon request, which must be repeated annually, it can be sent out by regular mail.