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DACHI NEWS

NOVEMBER 79

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Mathona O'Sonnor.

Fumigation to Proceed! at last!

As you might recall fumigation of the Carlton St. units was to have been started last month but was suddenly cancelled. The delay was caused by the fact that the company that Dachi had originally hired did not have a licence to do pesticide spraying. Since that time we have negotiated with BIKOE PEST CONTROL SERVICE to start spraying on November 12. Initially, the Carlton St. block will be done, followed by the other houses on Spruce, Dermott and Sackville streets. More information will be distributed shortly.

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Report on the General Membership Meeting  
October 9, 1979.

Bruce Woodrow appeared, representing the Co-operative Housing Foundation and asked for DACHI's continued support. The cost of DACHI's membership would increase from \$2.00/unit in 1979 to \$4.00/unit for 1980. It was carried by the members that we continue to support CHF. Janet Howard was accepted as City Rep. by a vote of 23 votes to 13.

The runoff election for the remaining two positions on the Board of Directors was held. Five candidates had tied for the two positions. The results of the run off was:

Joe Hedgepeth	24 votes
Linda Sevier	23 votes
Fred Kubesch	23 votes
Bruce Flood	22 votes
Bill Klein	2 votes

Since there was a tie between Linda Sevier and Fred Kubesch, a further run off election was called for, the results were as follows:

Linda Sevier	33 votes
Fred Kubesch	12 votes

Our board of directors has now been fully elected, consisting of Tony Walker, Joe Hedgepeth, Linda Sevier, John Metson, Eric Grunsky, Kay Battle, Grant Pattincale, Pat Ouellette, Ron Ouellete and Janet Howard, our city representative.

It was moved and carried that a rent increase of up to 6% be implemented effective February 1, 1970.

It was also moved and carried that a non-interest bearing loan of \$60.00 be paid over a period of 6 months by each new and current member as a deterrent against damage to housing units.

Eric Grunsky

## MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE REPORT

The co-chairpersons of the committee, Pat Ouelette and Kay Battle, have resigned.

A meeting was held on October 27th and five members attended. (Mathona O'Connor, Tony Walker, Francis Rukevina, Nancy Duffy, and Linda Sevier.)

A general discussion was had around the following needs:

- 1) Monitoring vacant units;
- 2) Interviewing applicants and making recommendations to the board;
- 3) Allocating units;
- 4) Maintaining waiting lists;
- 5) Orienting new members;
- 6) Reporting to the newsletter;
- 7) Developing and maintaining information for the membership.

With regard to number 7 the most immediate need is to complete the members' handbook. Fran Rukevina and Joan Stewart have committed themselves to this task.

Mathona O'Connor is updating the waiting list to determine who is still interested in a DACHI unit.

Nancy Duffy is researching the process for applicants on rent subsidy in the hopes of becoming our resident specialist.

The next meeting of this committee will be at the CRC, Wednesday, November 7th, at 7:30 p.m. The agenda will include:

- a) Selection of a chairperson;
- b) Further discussion on duties and responsibilities;
- c) An exchange of views with regard to the Handbook.

If you are interested in participating through this committee please keep the time and place in mind and join in.

Linda Sevier

Courses offered by the Toronto Co-operative Housing  
Federation

Although, the application for the courses offered by the Toronto Co-operative Housing Federation has not been officially approved, by the city, rumour has it that it will be shortly.

Any member who is interested will be welcome to enroll.  
See Eric Grunsky (259c Carlton St) about enrollment.

The following courses are being offered:

Membership Committee Seminar  
3 people Jan 11, 12, 1980  
3 people Fall 1980.

Maintenance Committee Training Course  
3 people Nov 2, 3, 1979  
3 people Feb 29, Mar 1, 1980  
3 people Fall 1980.

Finance Committee Course  
3 people Jan 26, 1980  
3 people Fall, 1980

Co-Op Accounting I - II  
3 people Nov. 17, 1979  
3 people Feb 10, 1980  
3 people Fall 1980

Board of Directors Course  
3 people Feb 23, 24, 1980  
3 people Apr. 26, 27, 1980  
3 people Fall, 1980.

Techniques for Directors  
3 people Nov. 18, 1979  
3 people May 12, 1980.

It is expected that the city will approve an allotment of free public transit rides and \$200.00 for baby sitting expenses.

FINANCES

The following is a summary of the Budget Status to September 30th 1979.

	<u>Aug 30-Sept 1</u>			<u>Cumulative Dec/78 to Sept/79</u>		
	Budget	Expend.	Differ- ence	Budget	Expend.	Differ- ence
<u>FIXED OVERHEAD</u>						
Mortgage, Interest and taxes	19030	19030		190300	190452	152
Insurance	225	-	(225)	2250	2694	444
Repl. Reserve	699	-	(699)	6990	-	(6990)
Contingency	763	-	(763)	7630	-	(7630)
Total Overhead	20717	19030	(1687)	207170	193146	(14024)
<u>ADMINISTRATION</u>						
Salaries & Benefits	1083	1272	189	10830	13482	2652
Legal & Audit	375	-	(375)	3750	7085	3335
Others (incl. ADV.)	166	757	591	1660	4832	3172
Total Administration	1624	2029	405	16240	25399	9159
<u>UTILITIES</u>	2691	267	(2424)	26910	29489	2579
<u>MAINTENANCE</u>	1167	1416	249	11670	31373	19703
<u>MISC. EXPENSES</u>	-	-	-	-	1178	1178
<u>TOTAL EXPENSES</u>	26199	22742	3457	261990	280585	18595

As we can see, for the month of Sept. we have managed to keep well within our budget, however for the year to date there is a deficit of 18,595. We seem to have overspent in the salaries, legal, utilities and maintenance. Maintenance costs for this year alone are \$19,703 over the budget!!!

It seems quite obvious that we cannot afford to pay for our labour. I, and many others, would like to see a complete breakdown of our maintenance.expenses to see why we have spent so much.

Although \$8,085.00 was spent on capital improvements (parking lot paving - \$2500, Basement repair - \$1125, Playground - \$2300, wall restoration - \$2160) this still leaves over \$11,000 over budget that should be accounted for, to the members

Eric Grunsky

Report of the October 22/79  
Board of Directors Meeting.

Controversy was raised over the legitimacy of the memberships of Eric Grunsky, Andy Stanley, Gary Voysey, Fran Robertson. All were accepted officially as members as well as Paul LaRoche, and Mike and Mary Fagen.

Eric Grunsky and Lorretta Leavy were approved relocation to 38A Spruce Street.

The position of vice-president was altered to include taking the duties of chairman, and coordinator of committees.

The following board members were elected as officers of DACHI.

President Tony Walker  
Vice President Joe Hedgepeth  
Secretary Linda Sevier  
Treasurer John Metson.

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Report on Phase II Committee

Recently, 2 meetings of the PHASE II committee have resulted in the preparation of an application to the CMHC to approve the proposed plans. Recently, our consultant, David Bahrynowski submitted a report outlining the zoning status of the land on which we will build. As it now stands, we have in existence, housing plans that were drawn up a few years ago which will be examined again, in order to see if these plans still meet with DACHI's needs.

Before we can go any further, we must provide some additional financial information to CMHC which includes an explanation of our outrageous maintenance expenditure.

Thus far, we have made use of our start up grant and will be moving into the second stage, which is the preliminary design stage which has effectively already been done.

We will be able to construct 8 units

3 1-bedroom units  
4 2-bedroom units  
1 3-bedroom unit

Another meeting will take place on November 5.

David Bahrynowski's report is on file at the Co-op office.  
If things proceed smoothly, construction will begin in Spring, 1980.

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Proposed Maintenance Surcharge

The problem of maintenance in DACHI has always been a problem, from the point of view of participation/expense. In the last 2 years DACHI has spent an extraordinary amount of money on maintenance, mostly due to hiring our labour and because of the poor quality of much of the construction in the co-op. Recently it was suggested that those people who do not participate in regular or special maintenance jobs, be charged a fee for their lack of participation. This point has

caused a lot of fuss among members.

The existing maintenance committee, although surviving quite well, is no different than any other previous maintenance committee. It needs participation to function. If people don't participate then we have to pay for labour. This means it costs us all. But why should those who put in many hours work have to pay? It hardly seems worthwhile to participate if you are still being penalized for those who don't participate. So it seems justifiable that those, who do not want to work in a preventative or necessary maintenance job, should pay extra for the luxury of sitting on their butts. Of course not every one in our co-op is physically capable of maintenance work, and those exceptions should be provided for. Many people who do not participate, are quite capable. The surcharge is an effective way of compensating for the inequalities of input in this co-op.

The mechanism of imposing the surcharge may not be that easy to implement but I would suggest that we include a certain percentage increase over our rent increase for the coming year which will allow us the necessary reserve, if we need to pay for our own labour. For those people who want, their hours will be recorded and at a fixed period, be given a rebate applied to their housing charge. Hopefully we will get this issue cleared at the next General Membership Meeting.

Eric Grunsky

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## MAINTENANCE COMMITTEE REPORT

The maintenance committee has been very busy lately and some of its activity is important enough to warrant separate articles. In this report items of general interest will be mentioned.

Kevin Dymond and David Dickie painted the front of the basement on Carlton we had been repairing and filled in the hole. There have been no leaks so the operation seems to have been a success. I hope I don't forget anyone when I say that Fran Robertson, Eric Grunsky, Loretta Leavey, Susan Christensen, Debbie Wylie, Chris Hartman, Richard and Joe Hedgepeth, Ray Chomcy, Fred Kubesch, Pat Ouellette, Bill Klein, Gary Smith, Mathona O'Connor and yours truly fixed up 263B Carlton entirely with volunteer labour. This was an excellent start and the secret of success will be getting everyone involved.

Fumigation will be done again. You may notice that Biko, the company carrying out the work is less demanding in its requirements of you. It is not necessary to empty out your dressers but you must empty closets and cupboards. Biko is used to having to pick its way around furniture left against walls but we can make it easier for everyone if you pull your furniture away from the wall before they come.

The co-op has a new paint policy. Passed at the maintenance committee and ratified by the Board, the policy concerns painting your unit. The policy is: "Each unit shall have paint provided by the co-op not more than every two years, if the maintenance committee agrees a new paint job is needed. If physically able the unit occupants will do the actual painting." In other words, if your unit needs painting, the co-op will pay for the paint, and do the painting if you are physically unable to do so.

This brings me to the topic of inspections. Due to a number of circumstances such as falling walls and collapsing basements we have never paid attention to long range maintenance planning as much as we should have. We must know a time schedule for replacing rugs, refrigerators. We must know how much it takes to keep each unit and the co-op as a whole in tip top shape. If we don't keep the repairs done and if we don't plan for major expenditures for large item replacements our homes will be less pleasant to live in and we will be increasingly unable to afford the bills when they do come. So UNIT INSPECTIONS will be starting soon. In these inspections volunteer members of the committee will come to your unit and mark down any work that needs to be done. This can range from repalcing part of your ceiling to installing a door-stop. The committee will not make any note of the cleanliness of the unit. This is not a survey of how you keep up your unit. It is a survey of what work your unit needs so we can organize the work efficiently and plan for replacement expenditures over time.

I'll just report on a couple of more items this month. Fred Kubesch and Richard Hedgepeth are drawing up plans for building storage areas in Carlton basements. Once the plan is ready there will be full discussion of it and then the work will be done. We hope to have enough room with proper planning to turn the work room into a laundry room - its original purpose - and have space left over for common use. And Fran Rukevina has agreed to take on what some of us regard as our toughest problem- pidgeon grease. She is investigating ways to get rid of them and has found a promising grease. Good news soon we hope.

*Andy Stanley*



## CO-OPERATING MEANS WORKING TOGETHER

The October 20 meeting of the maintenance committee agreed to recommend to the general membership a policy whereby each able bodied member of the co-op would be required to do four hours work per month on maintenance if the committee required it. Due to problems in implementing this correctly the Board took it upon itself to set up a sub-committee of A. Stanley, John Metson and Tony Walker to come up with a detailed policy.

However, the Board did authorize the maintenance committee to keep records of work time put in by members starting November 1. This is so those members who are already doing the work necessary to the basic functioning of the co-op will not be penalized by losing all their time put in before the policy is firmly in place. All of this, I emphasize, is subject to membership approval. However it is clear to me and the maintenance committee that we can not expect a quarter of the co-op to do the work of the other 75%.

Andy Stanley

### MAINTENANCE WORK TO BE DONE

#### Painting and cleaning 259B Carlton St.

This apartment needs painting and cleaning. Work starts Saturday November 3 and continues until it's done. A chart will be up on the wall where you may list your time put in. All necessary brushes, rollers and paint are provided.

#### Eavestroughs

Starting soon we will have to clean all the eavestroughs and put in screens over all the drain pipes. Volunteers welcome.

#### And More

We have windows to replace and cleaning to be done and holes to fill and you name it and you can do it.

#### And Finally

Work done by yourself on your own unit (not painting) will count towards necessary work time, IF you get a work order filled out by the office or from the committee chairman. So go ahead and replace your weather stripping around your doors. We will pay for the supplies and give you credit for the time you work.

Andy Stanley

### DACHI Christmas Party

A Christmas party is in the planning stage and should take place on Friday night, December 21st, at the CRC (20 Spruce St.) The Co-op will provide toys for all DACHI Children and food, drinks and music for all adults. Volunteers are needed.

### ICE RINK touches

The last ~~rink~~ will be put on the playground ice rink in the near future and it should be ready for use as soon as the frost will accumulate.

### RENT INCREASE

As you are probably aware, a rent increase of up to 6% was approved at the last general membership meeting. Although the general membership has approved an increase of up to 6%, this does not mean that the increase need be this high.

The following are some of my thoughts on our rent increase and I think we should consider the following factors:

From Dec./78 to Sept./79 we have overspent \$18595. of which \$19703. was spent on maintenance. If maintenance is not included then we have actually underspent by \$ 1108. which is really great considering the inflation we've all been subject to in the past year.

Utilities will undoubtedly rise at least another 10% next year which would be at least another \$3000. added to our budget. In addition we are behind in our replacement reserve fund and we might budget for \$10000. for next year. I am not presenting an in depth financial analysis here but on what I've just stated we will need approximately a 4% increase of our budget for 1980. Most or all of this will have to come from our housing charges.

As far as mainenance is concerned, if we implement a surcharge to non-participating members then we can probably cover our budget with the same figures as last year. I suggest that we increase the housing charge to 6% to cover our increase in utilitbes, replacement reserve and maintenance costs. The maintenance costs are 2% of the increase which will be rebated to those who participate in maintenance and thus be only a 4% increase to those who are willing to do some work around here.

Eric Grunsky

## A Letter to the Membership

As President of your new Board I would like to introduce myself and express some thoughts and concerns I have about the upcoming year. I would also like to take this opportunity to thank the outgoing Directors for their efforts during the last year. Congratulations are also in order for the membership for the interest and concern they showed in the recent elections, demonstrated by the number of candidates nominated for the Board.

My own history with Dachi has been a brief one. I joined the Co-op in May, 1978 and in September of that year I took on my first committee responsibility. This commitment took me to Board meetings on a regular basis and introduced me to many of our members.

As I take up my new role with the Co-Op I feel encouraged and positive about several developments. The recent elections were heavily contested, the maintenance committee has been re-organized and revitalized, the newsletter is distributed regularly, the arrears problem has been reduced, and our committees seem to be stirring once again.

On the other hand serious problems need to be resolved. Too much work is still being done by too few people. Unless this changes we are likely to see exhaustion and frustration bring an end to these exciting developments. Maintenance costs over the last year have been very high and must be reduced. Perhaps more serious in the long run is the continuation of "bloc voting" or "sides" in the Co-op. Too often issues in the Co-op have been confused by personal attacks and suspicion rather than settled by well-informed voters.

If we hope to see any improvements in the Co-op all members must get involved, become aware of the Co-op's problems and take their own position on issues. We must also learn to trust each other and to accept the responsibilities of Co-op living.

Tony Walker

President

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Recently, a petition was circulated aimed at removing Eric Grunsky, Joe Hedgepeth, and Linda Sevier from the Board of Directors. Although the initiators of the petition are being close-mouthed about the charges (which is questionable in any case), conversations with a few people in the co-op have indicated that the petitions have stated that these board members are trying to remove rent supplement in DACHI. Numerous other rumors have been circulated which are vicious and false.

In effect, these board members are on trial under allegations that are false. The following is a rebuttal and clarification for the record.

THE EXPULSION PETITION AND RENT SUPPLEMENT

The rumors and outright lies that accompanied the petition to expel Linda Sevier, Eric Grunsky, and Joe Hedgepeth are neither new or original. These rumors have persisted for months, in spite of good sound explanations, and one has to conclude that they are being spread with malicious intent. Some of these stories affect the wellbeing of rent supplement members. The very people who are safeguarding our interests are being attacked and hindered in their work.

The following fictions have been spread about the opinions and ideas of Eric, Joe, Linda, and their friends. This would include me, I suppose, but why would I work against myself?

- 1) That "THEY" want to have rent supplement taken over by Ontario Housing.
- 2) And lately ( good greif! ), that "THEY" along with Janet Howard and Mayor Sewell want to sell DACHI to private interest groups.

Let's look at the FACTS;

Rent supplement administration was taken over by Ontario Housing early last year. This was first brought to our attention by Andrew Stanely in August after he replaced Fran Rukevina on the Federation delegate assembly in August. If we had had a delegate that attended meetings before him we would have known the FACTS much sooner. But Fran did not attend OR go to meetings of a Federation subcommittee that had input AND seats on a provincial committee looking into supplement. This shows how much interest the people spreading the rumors really have in rent supplement. Infact, the first people to obtain the correct information and attend important meetings of the Federation were Linda, Eric, Joe, and their friends. So, I hardly need add that the rumor that "THEY" want all supplement people to move into O.H.C., is not true but also an obviously ludicrous unfounded statement.

Last month the provence unexpectantly informed The Federation of substantial changes of supplement administration in that there would be more responsibilitities in the co-ops hands. This would necessatate a review by the property manager since it would affect his workload, and the cash flow. The 2nd which, ofcourse, would be a concern to the finance committee. Andrew Stanely, after being informed by The Federation, immediately phoned the ministry asking for a copy of the new guidelines. After receiving the information Andrew took the plans to Helmut Soldwisch who said that there was no worry and noted only ONE change. But the federation delegates submitted seven pages of criticisms and suggested ammendements. So, to this point, the former federation delegate, the property manager, and the former board had over a period of months, at first ignored the possibility permitted by the federation of participating in developing rules with the government and then blew the chance to comment on the new rules when presented. Fortunately for supplement prople our new president did see the importance of the issue and went to a special meeting of the Federation in November to deal with the new administration plans set out by the government. Doesn't it seem to you that our new ~~bead~~ board is showing a concern and involvement for the aid of people on supplement? Where was the concern with the former board and the very people that have circulated this petition?

Now let's take the charge, the newest and most incredible, that Joe, Linda, Eric, Alderman Howard, and Mayor Sewell are involved in a plan to privatize the co-op. Firstly, if this were true, everyone would have a great deal to lose, and this reason alone would make the statement appear absurd. Sound incredible? It is. But again, it is based on a fact deliberately reversed to reflect badly on the very people trying to protect our interests in the co-op.

Through the Federation we were made aware of a Metro staff report called "Assisted Housing in Metropolitan Toronto: Options for the Future". The main thrust of the report is to <sup>\*</sup> dismantle O.H.C. units and to reprivatize assisted housing. The Federation has joined the coalition of Alderman and Tenant's associations, O.H.C. residents, etc. to nip this plan at the bud. One can be assured that Howard and Sewell are in full support of this coalition. This activity was duly reported by our delegate at the last board meeting. After hearing this report the Board of Directors (i.e. Eric, Joe, and Linda) decided to have our delegate (Andrew) report back to the Federation that DACHI supports the Coalition to stop the above mentioned plan of reprivatizing housing.

How strange then, to hear a week later the neww slanderous rumor that Andy, his friends, and the board were going along with the city's future plans. This was given as a reason to support the petition???

As a great number of us have experienced living on mother's allowance welfare, U.I.C., is hard enough without the fear of our support ending or changing. Fears like this have been deliberately played on to attempt to turn us against people spending a lot of time and effort to get the best deal for us. Meanwhile the people that are circulating the petition did virtually nothing for this cause when they had ample opportunity to help in a positive way! Their actions are not only malicious, but destructive to us!

\* This report came from the Metro Planning Department, not the city department.

*Nancy Saffy*



Its said that imitation is the sincerest form of flattery. So it was with some satisfaction that I first heard of another petition being circulated. After all, a petition is a legitimate tool within any democratic system, be it country or co-op. It is best when it is used to generate open discussion, develop a common understanding of ideas and to express all of this to a leadership, hopefully for their response. As you may recall, some of circulated such a petition around this time last year. Excusing the few yahoos who thought it was something treacherous or treasonous, it was, nonetheless, a clear statement calling for openness at least equal to other co-ops such as Bain. As an appeal for expansion of members' rights and participation it could only be seen as pro co-op by anybody who cared to take the time to carefully consider all the points. While some people didn't many others did, and we are pleased that many of those early aims are now either realized, or close to it.

So I was rather keen on seeing the latest petition, hoping it would be an honest statement of members' wishes - those that might not have been able to be expressed within formal meetings. Sadly, such is not the case. As you see by the copy reprinted below it is vague to an extreme. The authors, rather than provoking open discussion are, for tactics known only to them, keeping mum. Even within the board meeting called for the purpose they refused to elaborate, saying that their charges will be made only at the general meeting. Thus, the directors singled out for their attack are unable to prepare a defense. So much for fairness.

Whatever substance this neo-petition has is stupid and shallow at best. What's the point in giving three of the more active members a kick in the ass? Is it supposed to serve as a warning to everyone in the co-op who wishes to participate and be active? It is clearly nonsense to say that policies of three people are unsatisfactory after a period of only two months in office. And what policies? There are ten people on the board and no policy has passed with just three votes. What about the others, including Pat and Ron, who voted in favour of everything which might be considered directionally important. Maybe the authors of this sad document are against the general activity of their targeted directors. Could it be Joe's initiation of a basement cleanup and organization so that more members might enjoy storage space and that we might have rooms for laundry and recreation? Is it Eric's keen interest in seeing that our finances are run soundly so that those of us who carry the burden of rent increases don't suffer with them unduly? Is it Linda's effort within the membership committee to help develop a fair unit allocation procedure?

So everything is quite muddled and muddied. Something of a weird Christmas present to us all because instead of carrying on with pressing duties time is wasted along with energy in dealing with a silly red-herring. But then all of this shouldn't come as any surprise; the authors of this petition have engaged in rumours and lies all along. And at this low level it can be expected that a good idea like a petition should be vulgarized and misused.

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On a personal level I find myself disappointed in a number of ways. First, that a progressive, principled position regarding rent supplement should be so grossly misrepresented that fellow members mistakenly believe a group is working against the interests of those on supplement. I guess it is an example of a lie being repeated often enough that it becomes believable. This lying is meant to play on fears and insecurities and to pit one group against another. As such it is nothing short of villainous because I know of nothing more injurious to the spirit of the co-op.

Secondly, that the names of outsiders - people who are consistently in support of co-ops in general and rent supplement people in particular - should be brought in and their positions so turned around by slanderous lies.

Thirdly, that people in position of leadership and influence have remained publicly quiet on this issue and by so doing have lent credence to the falsehoods. 'Neutrality' in the face of destructive behavior is no virtue.

Fourthly, that neighbours who have been told such things as would make them sign such a document wouldn't take the time to seek explanation and clarification.

And lastly, that some people who should know better would support the proceedings for their own self-interests. This includes wanting a board position at best and at worst wanting the progressive trend halted and things returned to the way they were, pork barrel and all. These people are making a serious mistake. In the past every care has been taken to involve others, including those who worked or were working against the trend. There is such severe feeling now that the two sides are virtually irreconcilable. Maybe that's how it has to be.

I'm confident the people with integrity and genuine interest in the future of the co-op will come out to the meeting on Monday, December 17th and deal decisively with those behind this petition.

*Yours cooperatively,*

*Dave Durbly*



FROM THE VICE-PRESIDENT  
DACHI

I'd like to make a few comments regarding the attached petition.

Members should have received a "Notice of Special General Membership Meeting". As a point of clarification, the purpose of the meeting is not the removal of Directors, it is rather for the membership to consider, and perhaps vote on the attached requisition.

Personally, I am disappointed. In the first instance, it is contrary to all the rules of common decency to take action against someone, while holding back the charges until the last possible moment. It is certainly contrary to standard legal and moral behavior.

Secondly, I'm concerned that members of the board would sign such a document. If those board members sincerely oppose my policies, then surely the place to bring it up is at a meeting of the board, rather than to abuse a part of the Act as a means of changing policy.

Over the past several months, some members who signed the petition voted along with me, therefore, it seems to me that this is a personality complaint and not a policy complaint.

This requisition is further dividing the members, by forcing them to take sides against each other. Even more unfortunate is that we are setting a dangerous precedent which allows any dissident group to easily call for similar expulsions of board members rather than working within the elected frame work as we have.

I hope that the membership will consider carefully the issues. I have put a lot of time and energy into our Co-op and am excited about the future. Whether we go forward or backward depends on your support.

Joseph Hedgepeth  
Vice-President

Nov. 20 1979

To the Board of Directors of Dachi:

We the undersigned wish to requisition a Special General Membership Meeting to be held on Dec. 10 1979 at the C.R.C. at 7.30 P.M. after the president recieves this requisition.

The reason for this requisition is that we want to expel Eric Grunski, Linda Sevier and Joseph Hedgepath from the board of directors as we are not satisfied with the policy making made by them since their election on Oct. 9 1979.

to send	
cc to	
Names	Addresses

Mrs Lillian Chabot	265-A-Carlton St
* Francis Ruberina	265 C Carlton St
on the Tragam	267-B CARLTON ST
Mrs L Rushton	257 Carlton St apt 14
Loyce Misener	255 Carlton st apt A
Kay Battie	16 Spruce St.
Mrs Mrs. Delaney.	13 Dermott Place.
Fred Kubesch	4 Dermott place
Jenise Kubesch.	4 Dermott Pl.
Mrs. Mrs. Rhodemizer	6 Dermott Pl.
Ronald Queltett	14 Dermott Pl.
Pat Queltette	14 Dermott Place
Robert Brockie Vanessa Gubell	16 Dermott Pl.
Mrs Myra Storey.	255C Carlton Street.

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Therese Poulard	346 Sackville St.
Jane W. Flood	40-A Spruce St.
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Hilma Flood	273A. <del>Carlton</del> Carlton. ST.
Martha Macdonald	267A CARLTON ST.
P. LaChance	"
Mrs. Genevieve LaChance	267A Carlton St
John M. LaChance	267 Carlton St.
Mary Jane Fagan	967 Carlton St.
Fred Head.	42 Spruce St.
R. Teulin	42 Spruce
Hubert Teulin	38A Spruce St.
Al Maloney	275 A CARLTON.
ROBERT EARL	275 B CARLTON ST.
Onko Hallen	