• There was general discussion concerning recruitment of new members to the various UMRA committees. It was agreed that bringing new members into the administrative structure would enrich the activities of UMRA. Attendees were encouraged to bring names of suitable individuals forward for discussion and appointment at the next scheduled meeting of the Committee. Gene Walz has assumed the position of Acting Chair of the Communications Committee.
• Another summer social event for UMRA members was being planned by Janet Sealey. This activity has been a valued addition to enhancing social interaction among its members.
• UMRA continues to sponsor one of the prizes for the 3MT graduate student research competition. As a result, the President’s Retiree Reception has been enriched by presentation to the membership of exciting research activities ongoing at the University of Manitoba.
• UMRA membership continues to increase and new memberships are including persons who have retired some years ago.
• UMRA members are encouraged to visit the CURAC website to compare the value of affinity products now available to them relative to the value of similar products they may be considering to acquire or renew.