

**Minutes of the May 3, 2006 Meeting**  
**of the**  
**Wright State University Retirees Association Board of Directors**

Present: James Kane, Elizabeth Harden, Alice Swinger, Don Swanson, Gerry Petrak, Judy Rose, Nick Davis, Abe Bassett, Lew Shupe, Chuck Willis, Bob Wagley, Barbara Eakins-Reed, Marlene Bireley, Lou Falkner, Leone Low

President James Kane presided. The minutes were corrected and accepted.

Treasurer Nick Davis reported that the University Account contained \$4472.13, and that the Dues Account contained \$3744.80.

Communications Coordinator and Editor Marlene Bireley is collecting old Extensions to send to the University Library. The October 1997 and the May 1998 issues are missing. She will write an article about the names suggested for Wright State University. No one disagreed with the final choice. The Extension will be "put to bed" on May 17.

Abe Bassett reminded those attending a showing of "The Searchers" at the Bassett's home that Charles Derry will discuss it. WSURA members will tour the Frank Lloyd Wright designed Westcott House in Springfield on May 18. The tour will be followed by luncheon at Collier's, an Amish style restaurant. Attending a WSU Theatre Group performance of "Grease" will be on next year's agenda.

Barbara Eakins-Reed said that the accounting problem with the WSURA Scholarship fund has been resolved.

Sunshine Committee Chair Gerry Petrak said that cards had been sent to the families of Julia Adkins and William Garrison and to Alan McKelvey. The card to the family of Don Bell had not been returned.

Bob Wagley is preparing a letter to the Provost to protest that computer software for WSU emeritus faculty is no longer available on the University contract.

Lew Shupe reported that Alex Nyerges' May 17 talk at the FOL luncheon is titled "What's Happening at the Dayton Art Institute."

Judy Rose announced that the Election Ballot and the proposed Bylaws revision have been mailed.

OLD BUSINESS

Elizabeth Harden will purchase the plaque for the names of Past Presidents of WSURA. A small committee will assist in the selection.

Nick Davis announced that new ID's need to be obtained for next year.

## NEW BUSINESS

Lew Shupe introduced Chris Wydman, University Archivist. He informed us that Head Librarian Stephen Foster has established a Department of Digital Services. A DOD grant will allow documentation of the WPAFB development of Cold War Technologies. This will also be helpful for the WSU 40th Anniversary and the WSURA exhibit preparations.

There is new Video and Audio digital equipment available for oral histories. Interviews may be conducted in the library with 5 PM being the preferred time. In-house transcription will be investigated. Previous interviews will not take advantage of the new streaming video and audio and will be text only. Telephone interviews can be recorded through CATS or LCS.

WSURA could consider sponsoring a luncheon during the Fortieth Anniversary event.