

Minutes of the September 6, 2006 Meeting

of the

Wright State University Retirees Association Board of Directors

PRESENT: Chuck Willis, Nick Davis, Judy Rose, Lou Falkner, Gerry Petrak, Marlene Bireley, Jane Ovington, Barbara Eakins-Reed, Leone Low, Bob Wagley, Abe Bassett, Joanne Risacher

The Minutes of the August meeting were approved.

OFFICERS' REPORTS

President Chuck Willis asked for immediate approval of the appointment of June Ovington as Chair of the Sunshine Committee. Approved. Parking Materials for the current academic year are available. The Athletic Council has not met recently. The updated WSURA web site is a great improvement.

President-Elect Bob Wagley stated that there is no current progress in reinstating emeritus faculty to the list to receive software that is available to the University community. Letters are being sent to the faculty and staff informing them that the Gourmet Dinners are available to those with WSURA Associate Membership. Secretary Leone Low plans to write a short article for the Extension on the highlights of her August trip to Peru.

Treasurer Nick Davis said that the University had not yet released the current financial report. His letter to all retirees resulted in sixteen new Life Members and forty two new Annual Members. He circulated current lists of Life and Annual Members and requested updates and corrections. He received several. He would like to obtain the E-mail addresses of all members. All members could be informed of new "off the schedule" events and volunteer opportunities in a more timely manner.

Communications Coordinator and Extension Editor Marlene Bireley reported that the fall issue was sent to the printer a week ago. She plans to include a listing of all members in the next issue.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Bylaws and Elections Chair Judy Rose asked for suggestions on getting Board nominees for the spring election.

Marlene Bireley reported that Historical Preservation Chair Lew Shupe's current project is to obtain interviews with the original Dayton Campus faculty.

OCHER Chairs Lou Falkner and Nick Davis said that they would have a report on the September 19 meeting on October 4.

Membership Development (Service) Chair Gerry Petrak plans to attend the October meeting of the Association of Retirement Organizations in Higher Education in Tempe, Arizona at Arizona State University. The President requested that the organization

approve up to \$75 for registration. Approved. There are approximately 25 new retirees in 2005-2006. There may be many more next year. Retired staff members can have Wright.edu E-mail addresses. The October 25 meeting in conjunction with the Health Fair should be listed on the WSU List Serve. The times for the seminars/meetings are 11-12 and 12-1 PM. See the attachment. Copies of the WSURA Benefits Brochure should be available.

Activities Committee Chair Abe Bassett revealed that thirty five members had signed up to attend the WSU play and pizza party. There is a list of activities on the web site. Included on the list are the September 19 meeting with WSU Basketball Coach Brad Brownell, the Rembrandt Exhibit tour on Sunday October 8, and the October 24 all day Foliage Tour and trip to the Grand Casino.

Scholarship Committee Chair Barbara Eakins-Reed reported that the next Extension would include an article about the 2006 WSURA Scholarship recipient.

REPORTS AND NEW BUSINESS

There will be a speaker at the next Friends of the Library meeting.

Abe Bassett suggested that 'double postcards' be sent to members whose E-mail addresses that we don't have. He volunteered to do it, but thought that the organization should supply the cards. Judy Rose moved that WSURA spend up to \$75 for the postcards. Marlene seconded. Motion passed.

Marlene plans to add the updated information to the new WSURA Directory. Calls to persons who do not return the pre-addressed postage cards may be necessary.

Meeting adjourned.