

DRAFT WSURA Board Minutes

minutes taken 04.03. 2019

Present: Marlene Bireley, Mary Kenton, Joyce Howes, Dick Williams, Gary Barlow, Ruth Schumacher, Larry Prochaska, Robin Suits, Peggy Bott, Gail Whitaker, Judi Engle, Donna Schlagheck, Judy Engle, Sheryl Provens

Absent: Carol Stevenson, Gary Pacernick, Abe Bassett, Mary Gromosiak, Dan Abrahamowicz

President Howes called the meeting to order at 10:00 am.

1. President: Joyce Howes

- a. March minutes unanimously approved
- b. Joyce and Dick introduced Greg Scharer, Alumni Relations who provided an overview of the "Archives building" re: potential use by various WSU units additional to the Archives. At this point in time, all decisions have yet to be finalized, including whether or not the Archives move into the building.

2. President-Elect: Larry Prochaska

- a. no report

3. Past President: Donna Schlagheck

- a. no report

4. Secretary: Ruth Schumacher

- a. said she would resign due to inability to attend all meetings

5. Treasurer: Sheryl Provens

- a. Sheryl was recently informed that the carry over balance has been/may be removed from the budget of various units, including WSURA. Sheryl will continue to obtain information and explore options with appropriate university units.
- b. Back up plan: fund the rest of the year from the WSURA dues account
- c. Completed the annual report of retiree contributions to the University Foundation, which includes historical giving amounts (see: attached)

6. Communications: Mary Kenton

- a. The updated brochure has been sent to members by US Mail to 1,257 retirees along with a letter from President Joyce Howes inviting them to join WSURA. The brochures were sent "Return Service Requested," so that we can update the postal address for all retirees.
- b. Two WSRA award recipients have been selected: Paul Newman (staff); Rudy Fichtenbaum (faculty)
 1. Plaques will be purchased for those awards; Mary will contact Carol Stevenson for source information, Gary Barlow & Gail Whitaker will also provide sources.
 2. Letters of award will go out to both recipients
 3. \$100 allocated for both plaques
- c. A cumulative plaque will also be hung in the WSURA conference room

7. Scholarship: Mary Kenton reporting for Gary Pacernick

- a. 12 applicants; 2 awardees. Each will receive \$1,500

8. Activities: Marlene Bireley & Gail Whitaker (reporting for Mary Gromosiak)

- a. 35 signed up for the luncheon
- b. Luncheon committee needs to meet

9. Historical Preservation: Larry Prochaska reporting for Dan Abrahamowicz

- a. Interviews have been posted

10. Bylaws & Elections: Gail Whitaker

- a. Revisions in the mail with ballots

11. Membership: Marlene Bireley

- a. Marlene recommended that Membership and Communication be combined

- b. Discussion ensued re potential committee members

12. OCHER: Peggy Bott (OPERS) and Dick Williams (STRS)

- a. OPERS
 - 1. COLA adjustments will reappear in the future
 - 2. Particular concern is the health care fund
 - 3. Every year the ratio of workers to retirees worsens
- b. STRS
 - 1. will be announcing changes in next year's health care coverage; likely to see premium increases (premiums haven't changed in two years)
 - 2. COLA adjustments will not be made at this point

13. Sunshine: Peggy Bott

- a. respectfully reported deaths

14. Co-webmaster: Robin Suits

- a. Web traffic was down in March compared to February
- b. Home addresses and email addresses need to be integrated
- c. Congratulated the Communications Committee for completing the mailing
- d. Congratulated Judi Engle for the professionalism of the new brochure

15. Alumni Affairs: Dick Williams

- a. See Greg Sharer's report above

16. Friends of the Libraries: Gary Barlow

- a. shared WSURA 25th anniversary luncheon plans (e.g., photos; table set up)
- b. WSURA will support the Friends Of the Library Book Club along with the Alumni Association
 - 1. will meet on campus
 - 2. some themes have been determined for next year
 - 3. funding proposal has been received for \$100; motion made & carried to use the Patron fund
 - 4. Gary recommended that Peggy Bott become the Board liaison to the book club

17. UCIE: Ruth Schumacher

- a. updated the Board re status of the partnership with the UCIE, including assignment of 3 more scholars to WSURA members

18. Athletic Council: Mary Kenton & Larry Prochaska

- a. updated the board re budget comparison with other schools and current foci of discussion (e.g. Division 1; funding for the proposed student recreation building)
- b. Larry P chairs the Financial Oversight Committee

20. New Business (none)

21. Adjourned at 12:25 pm

Wright State University Retiree Association
Record of Retiree Donations to University Foundation

Fiscal Year	Retiree Count	Donors	Participation	Dollars Contributed	Avg Donation
FY01	275	11	4.00%	\$630	\$ 57.27
FY02	410	32	8.00%	\$5,120	\$ 160.00
FY03	566	34	6.00%	\$4,810	\$ 141.47
FY04	590	46	8.00%	\$7,895	\$ 171.63
FY05	621	28	5.00%	\$3,735	\$ 133.39
FY06	571	31	5.00%	\$10,125	\$ 326.61
FY07	562	16	3.00%	\$1,625	\$ 101.56
FY08	705	28	4.00%	\$3,765	\$ 134.46
FY09	685	46	7.00%	\$9,480	\$ 206.09
FY10	844	57	7.00%	\$28,595	\$ 501.67
FY11	890	62	7.00%	\$52,386	\$ 844.94
FY12	915	91	10.00%	\$130,718	\$ 1,436.46
FY13	933	85	9.00%	\$193,746	\$ 2,279.36
FY14	1029	196	19.00%	\$175,579	\$ 895.81
FY15	1019	200	19.00%	\$256,227	\$ 1,281.14
FY16	1054	175	17.00%	\$162,033	\$ 925.90
FY17	1062	186	17.50%	\$137,482	\$ 739.15
FY18	1009	162	16.10%	\$103,380	\$ 638.15
Total				\$1,287,331	