

DRAFT WSURA Board Minutes

minutes taken 03. 06. 2019

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

Absent: Sheryl Provens; Mary Gromosiak, Dan Abrahamowicz

President Howes called the meeting to order at 10:00 am. The Board approved the minutes for the meeting of February 2019.

1. President: Joyce Howes

- a. Minutes unanimously approved as corrected
- b. Working on the ballot for successors for Abe Bassett, Marlene Bireley, and Carol Stevenson
- c. Review of student employee of the year nomination for student worker; President will purchase flowers for her from the Board and will bring some refreshments for the June annual meeting
- d. Annual meeting discussion: recognize retirees, new board members

2. Bylaws and Elections: Gail Whitaker

- a. 3 small changes reviewed and will be sent out with the ballot; possibly email as well
- b. Motion to approve, seconded, discussion, and approved unanimously to present at the annual meeting
- c. Confirmation that specific nominees have been contacted

3. President-Elect: Larry Prochaska

- a. Encouraged this year's contribution to the Nick Davis fund to hopefully attain 100% board participation.
- b. Discussion followed report re possible future space for WSURA; discussion to be continued as needed

4. Past President: Donna Schlagheck

- a. No report

5. Communications: Mary Kenton

- a. Brochure is in finalization stage
- b. Directory is in process
- c. Discussion re Nominations for Service Awards: March 15 is the deadline
 1. happy to receive Board member nominations
 2. will be announced at the annual luncheon
 3. will be publicized
 4. posthumous nominations can be accepted as well

6. Activities: Mary Gromosiak (Bireley reporting)

- a. Update re husband's condition provided
- b. Mary will get invitations for the luncheon out
- c. 30 signed up for Donna Schlagheck's presentation on March 20th

7. Historical Preservation: Dan Abrahamowicz (absent; Joyce reported for Dan--no report)

8. Membership: Marlene Bireley (no report)

9. OCHER: Peggy Bott: (no report)

10. STRS: Dick

- a. STRS reviewing a pension funding policy
- b. Re the latest newsletter: please note the link to fiscal history of WSUs (in the Chronicle of Higher Education; on the website and a link is in the newsletter)

11. **Scholarship: Gary Pacernick**
 - a. 12 applicants to date

12. **Sunshine: Peggy Bott**
 - a. deaths respectfully noted and will be posted on the website
 - b. cards sent reported

12. **Alumni: Dick Williams (no report)**

13. **Webmaster: Robin Suits and Abe Bassett**
 - a. Working on the mailing list of about 900
 - b. Contacted the Archives to make sure WSURA records are up to date; the Extension is the only document desired and has been sent
 - c. 3,233 visits to the website in February
 - d. Newsletter got 55% opens
 - e. Slowly and steadily getting new members
 - f. Almost 200 news stories and 75 videos posted in January/February
 - g. New president and new president elect will develop and present an exec summary of the annual report. They would need committee reports. Judy will send last year's reports to Larry P (vice-president)
 - h. Board members are respectfully requested to send explanation with narrative they want posted
 - i. Kudos to Robin and Abe for the website

14. **Friends of the Library: Gary Barlow**
 - a. Book Club will be restarted
 - b. Discussion re possible request to WSURA, WSU Library, and the Alumni Association for \$100 each to fund the Book Club 2019. Request for written proposal with detail for purposes of accountability. Can be considered under Old Business at the April meeting. Fostering a closer relationship between WSURA and the Book Club re funds use, activities, etc. was supported.
 - c. Discussion ensued re the meeting space, time of day for the Book Club meetings, etc.
 - d. Upon request, Peggy Bott to send information re past Book Club to Gary Barlow.
 - e. Request for names of those interested in the position of liaison to the Library (in the future)

15. **UCIE: Ruth Schumacher (no report)**

16. **University Athletics: Mary Kenton & Larry Prochaska**
 - a. Good year for Basketball 😊
 - b. Student requests for recreation center and tennis facility were discussed at University Athletics
 - c. NCAA fiscal programs being developed to positively impact the budget of College Athletic Depts in NCAA Schools
 - d. NCAA one time funding to WSU reported
 - e. Basketball income from games is insufficient to support Athletics

17. **Old Business (no additional items)**

18. **Additional New Business (for subsequent Board meeting/s)**
 - a. Discussion re developing a prototype note for WSURA to congratulate individuals honored in the WSU electronic newsletter

19. **Adjourned at 11:40**