

WSURA Board Meeting

May 5, 2021

In attendance: Dan Abrahamowicz, Robin Suits, Judi Engle, Richard Williams, Sheryl Provens, Peggy Bott, Gary Barlow, Mary Kenton, Donna Schlagheck, Joyce Howes and Gail Whitaker.

Not attending: Jerry Alter, Mary Gromoziak, Kathy Morris, and Ruth Schumacher.

Minutes of the April meeting were approved on the motion of Gary Barlow and the second of Robin Suits. The board expressed appreciation to Joyce Howes for acting as interim secretary.

President's Report

There was a discussion about the fact that we now have no open office hours. Members were asked about volunteering to be in the office a few hours at a time beginning in the fall.

The Executive Committee will look at our computer to ascertain what files are stored there.

Cleaning out the closet in the back of the office can possibly be a one-day project.

The June meeting will be our Annual Meeting on Zoom; it was agreed that we could safely meet in person in August.

Dick Williams will investigate the possibility of us being able to use Alumni's refrigerator.

Elections

Dan A will contact Bob Hickey to see if he might agree to be Present Elect. Cheryl Provens will contact Lisa May to see if she is interested in being a Member-at-Large. Judi, Gail, and Joyce will coordinate mailing the ballots.

President Elect's Report

Judi Engle suggested that our August meeting be a brainstorming meeting about increasing membership and programming for the next year.

Past President's Report

Joyce Howes spoke to Physical Plant about our door and asked for a new door. Scott Rash told her they are actively recruiting a tenant for our space. Someone did come and fix the dead bolt—anything further is on hold.

Treasurer's Report

Cheryl Provens reported that Friends of the Libraries has requested \$100 to support their book club. The donation was approved on the motion of Mary Kenton and second of Dan A.

Cheryl presented her report stating that we have \$4,026.05 in our university account, \$19,040.49 in our dues account, \$1,877.91 in the Patron Fund, \$93,049.61 in the Nick Davis Scholarship Fund and \$2,221.00 in the Nick Davis spendable account.

Communications Coordinator Report

Mary Kenton reported that we received many compliments about the last issue of *The Extension*, especially Dan A's article. She is beginning work on the next issue.

Membership Development Report

Judi Engle reported that she sent 29 invitations to recent retirees to join WSURA.

OCHER Report

Peggy Bott – no report for OPERS

Richard Williams – The STRS Board will vote on the following enhancements to health care at the May meeting:

1. For Medicare enrollees the plan will move the Express Scripts Premier Performance Formulary. This means there will be a third tier for drug specialty drugs. Copays with the additional option for non-preferred brand name drugs (in addition to generic and preferred brand name drugs already covered).
2. Reducing the specialty copay to the lesser of 8% of cost or \$450 from the lesser of 13% or \$450 for a 31-day supply. For people on specialty drugs this should result in some dollar savings over time.
3. Decreasing the drug maximum out-of-pocket limit to \$5,100 from \$6,500 for Medicare plans. This is substantially below the standard Medicare Part D limit of \$7,050 for 2022.
4. The current \$275 annual deductible for prescription drugs will not change in 2022.

Scholarships Report

Joyce Howes, Jerry Alter and Mary Kenton will review the applications and hope to be able to award two \$1,500 scholarships.

Remembrance Report

Peggy Bott reported on the passing of Adrian Rake and Pat Jesse.

Webmaster Report

Robin Suites reported that we now have 70 members on the Facebook group, mostly in response to Dan A's article in *The Extension*.

Alumni Affairs – No report

Community Affairs

Donna Schlagheck reported the DCOWA (Dayton Council on World Affairs) and the Dayton Peace Prize committee are collaborating to award the prize to Ambassador/Congressman/former

Dayton Mayor TONY HALL. Plans include a banquet in January, 2022, at its annual meeting. Location and date TBA.

Friends of the Libraries – No report

Athletics Council

There will be a meeting on Friday, May 7.

Old Business

The Zoom meeting with David Williams will be on Tuesday, May 11 about identify theft.

New Business

There was discussion about updating our brochure. Tabled.

Judi will design something to be sent to new members.

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 11.20 AM.

Respectfully submitted,

Gail Whitaker, Interim Secretary