

## **WSURA Board Meeting**

**September 1, 2021**

Present: Robin Suits, Gary Barlow, Judi Engle, Sheryl Provens, Dick Williams, Donna Schlegheck, Dan Abrahamowicz, Kathy Morris, Mary Kenton, Betty Kangas, Joyce Howes, Gail Whitaker

Absent: Jerry Alter, Peggy Bott, and Mary Gromoziak

The Minutes of the August meeting were approved on the motion of Donna Schlegheck and second of Gary Barlow.

### Presidents Report – Judy Engle

Judi shared a letter from Andrea Stahl. Key cards for the front door access to the Foundation Building outside of normal business hours are available.

They will be replacing the HVAC system in the building tomorrow.

Judi has placed a call to the President's office to schedule a meeting, but has not received a return call.

### Past President's Report - Dan Abrahamowicz

No report.

### Secretary's Report – Gail Whitaker

Joyce and Gail will meet soon to review the bylaws.

### Treasurer's Report - Sheryl Provens

Jack Nelson sent in a membership application, but his dues did not come through. Sheryl will follow up.

All necessary corrections have been made to the General Fund. The balance in our accounts are as follows:

General Fund	\$6,674.00
Dues Account	19,265.49
Nick Davis Endowment	116,276.91
Nick Davis Scholarship	3,488.08
Patron Fund	1,930.41

### Communication Coordinator's Report – Mary Kenton

The newsletter is in progress and should be out by the end of September.

### Activities

Donna Schlegheck will present "20 Years After 9/11" on September 16 via Zoom from 11:30 am to 1:00 pm. Donna will give Robin some information to use in promotion of the event.

### Historical Report – Kathy Morris

No historical report. Kathy spoke to Eric Corbett regarding our use of space in the Union. We can use any space, including the President's Dining Room, at no charge. The Union is currently closed because of a fire.

### Membership Report – Judy Engle

Lisa May, Cynthia Adams, and Bob Hickey have received new member packets.

### OCHER – Dick Williams

STRS will be looking at the COLA allowance at their October meeting.

Donna suggested that we investigate having a program on STRS and invite Rudy Fictenbaum.

### Scholarship – no report

### Remembrance – Robin Suits

All recent deaths are listed on our web site.

### Webmaster – Robin Suits

The recent electronic newsletter has had a 2/3 response. She has asked Tony Wack for a list of new retirees.

She also said that the annual dues for the Rec Center is \$210, including WSURA members.

### Alumni Affairs – Dick Williams

The Festival of Flight will be held on September 25.

### Friends of the Libraries – Gary Barlow

They are busy setting up their committees for the year. Gary is working with Mary Gromoziak to set up a Van Gogh presentation after the first of the year.

### Brainstorming – Judy Engle

Judy summarized the Board's priorities for the upcoming year: 1) Meet with the President, 2) Hold a reception with deans in the spring, 3) Connect with students.

The consensus was to postpone our usual social in-person events until the Covid situation improves; however, we will explore some outdoor possibilities. Mary Kenton will call about a tour of Carillon Park, Joyce will investigate tours offered by the Beaver Creek Wetlands and Judi will check on tours offered by Woodlawn Cemetery.

There was a discussion about the possibility of contributing to the WSU Food Bank on a regular basis.

Our October meeting will be held on October 6 via Zoom.

There being no further business to come before the board, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Gail G. Whitaker, Secretary