**UW‐Green Bay Retiree Association**

**Board of Directors’ Meeting**

**Minutes**

Tuesday, November 12, 2013

ES 307

Attendance

Jim Wiersma (president), Tracy Heaser, Ginny Dell, Michael Kraft, Gary Mach, Frank Madzarevic, Pat Przybelski, Jane Rank, Chuck Rhyner, Lee Schwartz, Roger Vanderperren

Our meeting was called to order at 9:30 a.m.

Welcome new Retiree Association members Michael Kraft (Vice-President) and Ginny Dell (Chair of the Communications Standing Committee).

Approval of Minutes

The minutes of September 10, 2013, were approved with one minor change.

Committee Structure and Membership

We have four Standing Committees that are responsible to the Board:

1) Program/Banquet: Pat Przybelski, chair

2) Service: Jane Rank, chair (Oral History Project).

3) Communications: Ginny Dell, chair, appointment approved by the Board to replace George O’Hearn.

4) Membership: Both Chuck Rhyner and Lee Schwartz are retiring from the Board after serving many years as co-chairs. We are in need of replacements. Jim will send out an e-mail to the listserve to recruit new members.

Review 2012 Banquet/Financial Results/Outcault Card

Retirees attending the banquet enjoyed a fun evening meeting friends and colleagues and listening to guest speaker Kevin Borseth. Tracy is waiting for printing/postage costs before she can prepare the final figures. Donations received at the banquet for our endowed scholarship fund were down this year, but the first Salon Series--Piano Concert, made $1500. We have added approximately $2000 this year, with a total of around $17,000 in our fund. We can’t touch the principle in this fund, only the interest. We currently give a $750 scholarship each year but would like to eventually increase that to $1000. We will send out a mailing in spring to our retirees--there may be people who wish to donate money but who could not attend any of our events this year.

We had learned that David Outcault was ill and we had a card available for people to sign. David passed away November 7.

Pat will call to book our next banquet in the Phoenix Rooms for October 7, 2014. We suggested having someone on the University’s 50th Anniversary committee be the speaker at the banquet.

Jane Rank, Service Committee

Jane is on a subcommittee for the University’s 50th Anniversary with Deb Anderson, Library Archives. Jane said that Deb has many boxes of unidentified photographs and she was wondering if we could have a photo ID series for retirees to attend to look at the pictures. Deb also suggested a party to host a Scanathon where retirees bring their old photos, have them scanned, put on a large screen, and then reviewed and discussed as a group. It could be a fun social event to get people involved in the retiree association and a real service to the Library Archives. We also discussed the Board members going to the library after one of our monthly meetings to try to identify pictures. Jane suggested the possibility of having another Salon Series--Variety Show, to be held in spring at the Weidner Center Fort Howard Hall. It would be another event to get retirees together for a fun evening and to showcase the talents of our many retirees.

Informed Choice Report

Jim said that about twelve people had originally indicated an interest in attending a session at Informed Choice on November 7, but that the final count was thirty attendees. We will arrange for another presentation next year and announce the date at the annual dinner.

Tracy Heaser Basketball Outing

Tracy has 20 tickets for the December 7 men’s basketball game at the Resch Center against Virginia coach and former Phoenix star Tony Bennett. Tracy asked for suggested retiree names that she could contact to invite to the basketball game. Suite 320 will be open one hour prior to the game, and there will be food available.

Golf Course Beautification Project

 Jim is trying to set up a meeting with Nate Rusch (Shorewood Club greens keeper) to discuss flower planters at the golf course tee boxes—possibly with a sign indicating “compliments of the Retiree Association.” It was suggested that maybe John Katers, chair of NAS, could tell us who teaches a class on campus that utilizes the green house where students might be able to develop flowers for the planters. Vicki Medland is chair of the Center for Biodiversity and does the heirloom sale.

Scholarship for Upcoming Year/Procedure Approval

We agreed that the Financial Aid Office should continue choosing the retiree scholarship recipient from a questionnaire completed by the student that matches our scholarship criteria.

Meeting Dates/Times

We will continue to meet the second Tuesday of the month at 9:30 a.m. Our next meeting will be December 10 and we will decide if we need to continue to meet each month-- many of our Board members depart for warmer weather during the winter.

New Business

We discussed the passing of past Chancellor David Outcault. He has no family in town and there was a question about what we should do, if anything, about a memorial. We discussed possibly having a slide show at our next annual banquet. We will continue this discussion.

We are still waiting on the retiree ID card. Tracy hopes to complete this soon.

The meeting adjourned at 10:40 a.m.

Our next meeting will be held December 10, at 9:30 in our ES 307 office. Tracy will e-mail Board members a parking permit.

Respectfully Submitted,

Pat Przybelski, Secretary