RETIREE ASSOCIATION MINUTES

AUGUST 12, 2014

9:30 A.M, LAMBEAU COTTAGE

Attendance: Jim Wiersma (president), Tracy Heaser, Michael Kraft, Frank Madzarevic, Pat Przybelski, Chuck Rhyner, Roger Vanderperren

Excused: Gary Mach, Jane Rank, Ginny Dell

Minutes of the July 8, 2014, meeting were approved as written.

Fourth Annual Shorewood Golf Outing
Jim, Frank, Pat and Tracy are working on prizes for the August 15, 2014, golf outing. We currently have 29 people signed up, with 3 additional people attending dinner. Jim will send out another e-mail indicating there is still time to sign up on line. Weather looks great for the outing.

Tracy Heaser Update

- Kim Desotell has been hired as the Development Director in University Advancement. Kim currently works as the Coordinator in Professional Development. She will begin her new appointment on August 27.

- The Alumni reunion is set for October 24-25. Plans are still in the works.

- Because Chancellor Miller is unavailable to speak at our annual dinner, Tracy will see if he is available for an April 14, 2015, breakfast meeting with the Board. Other dates to check could be January 13 or March 10.

- Tracy distributed Board position descriptions for review.

- August 13 is Phoenix Night at St. James Park in downtown Green Bay. A salute to UWGB features professor/ conductor Kevin Collins, trumpet professor Adam Gaines, clarinet professor Eric Hanson and vocal soprano professor Courtney Sherman.

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Jane Rank Updates

Jane was unable to attend the meeting but she sent her update to Jim. Several people continue working on the slide ID project, going through slides associated with athletics, landscaping and buildings. Deb Anderson is hoping to host a photo/slide ID event at the end of September. Deb would also like to include a slide ID component to the photo display for our annual October dinner. Retirees have an opportunity to volunteer for the Alumni reunion weekend in October—Deb needs help manning the photo ID boards and scanning pictures alumni will bring.

Annual Dinner speaker

Our date has changed from October 7 to October 14. Chancellor Miller is unavailable to be guest speaker. We will ask someone from the University’s “50 Years of Excellence” committee (possibly Jeanne Stangel), or one of the groups from “Knapsack Storytellers” to be our banquet speaker.

ID Card Report by Chuck Rhyner

Chuck sent an e-mail to Jeanne Stangel asking for assistance to complete the long, drawn out request for a Retiree ID card. He listed our first request of November 2010 and subsequent requests in 2011, 2012, 2013 and 2014. Jeanne said she will try to have the ID issue resolved by our October annual dinner.

New Parking Procedures

The ability by security to scan vehicle permits is still in the works. Everyone is allowed 5 free parking passes per semester. You must renew your sticker every year. We asked why retirees needed to be renewed yearly…can’t a retiree be given permanent status when applying for the Retiree ID card?

Nomination Committee/Board Vacancies

We need a slate of candidates by our September 9 meeting. By-laws indicate we need to distribute the slate of nominees 30 days prior to the election. After numerous phone calls to retirees by Board members, we still have no one willing to fill the vacant Board positions of President, Secretary, and Member-at-large.

New Business

We need to review our Retiree Association by-law documents. Topics to review are a full membership vs. an associate membership, i.e., someone who previously worked at UWGB but left for another position off campus but who still has an interest in the University and/or a widow or widower of a retiree.

Tracy said that the cost for the ID card has been lowered to $3. Money for the card would come out of our retiree association funds. If a replacement ID is requested, we agreed that the retiree would have to pay for the replacement card. Tracy asked if Chuck, Frank and Pat could be used as a profile to work on the cards.

We need to take a look at the retiree listserve to make sure everyone is included. HR approves retirees and has a database. We are not sure if the e-mail information of new retirees is passed along to us so that Ken Fleurant can add names to our listserve. It seems our number of 198 has remained the same for a very long time. Tracy will look into this.

The meeting adjourned at 11:10 a.m. Our next meeting will be held September 9, 2014, at 9:30 a.m. at Lambeau Cottage.

Respectfully Submitted,

Pat Przybelski, Secretary