RETIREE ASSOCIATION MINUTES

OCTOBER 7, 2014

9:30 A.M, ES 307

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

Excused: Gary Mach

Minutes of the September 9, 2014, meeting were approved with one change.

Salon Program Series

Jane and Sue Goral have agreed to present another piano concert this year at Jane’s home. Dates were discussed that do not interfere with the Athletics schedule or music ensembles. We chose Wednesday, December 3. Jane said they would be happy to offer two different performances on Wednesday, an afternoon event at 2:00 p.m. and an evening event at 7:00 p.m. We would ask for a $25 per person donation to the Retiree Association Scholarship Fund. Jim will announce the concert at the banquet and we will also have the information printed and placed at each dinner plate.

Trifold Update

Tracy said she is waiting until the ID card is a go so that the information can be included in the Retiree Association trifold brochure.

October 14, 2014, Banquet Details

The head table will include Jim/Ruth Wiersma, Steve Taylor/wife, scholarship recipient Brooke Fitzgerald and her father, and Jeanne Stangel, Assistant Chancellor for University Advancement.

We discussed the final program lineup: 1) Jeanne Stangel, 2) Jim’s Retiree Board annual update, 3) Jane Rank’s update on the Oral History Project and the Neville and Archives Projects, 4) Treasurer Frank Madzarevic financial report, 5) Membership Committee Chair Chuck Rhyner’s report on the Retiree ID card and 6) Election of Board members.

Pat said the room, menu, and decorations are set for our festivities to begin at 5:00 p.m. We currently have 56 retirees attending. We expect more to come by the end of the week.

No one has indicated an interest in having their name added to the ballot for any of the three vacant positions. We will continue talking to retirees. Jim will talk about President Co-chairs at the banquet with the hope that two people would agree to work together on the Board.

Alumni Days

Jeanne Stangel will speak at the banquet about the Alumni Reunion Days to be held October 24-25, 2014.

Retiree ID Card

Tracy is working with the Union to put the final touches on the Retiree ID Card so that people attending the banquet will be able to pick up their card that evening, available by going to UTIC in the Union. The card is free, with the $3 fee paid for by the Retiree Association. The ID card will include pass point access (copy machine, A’viands, and vending machines); the Kress Center (free access at Faculty and Staff times, with a gym discount membership); and the Shorewood Golf Course (membership rates extended with the card). The ID card is still a work in progress with campus departments to give discounts to retirees who present the card for free parking, library privileges, Phoenix Bookstore merchandise, Athletics Events, University Arts Events and performances at the Weidner Center for the Performing Arts. Spouses cannot use the card, except to use passpoints.

New Business

Jim said that Rick Warpinski has $100 for the Retiree Association to use to purchase perennials for fall planting. Jim will make an announcement at the banquet to see if anyone would be interested in helping with this project.

The meeting adjourned at 11:30 a.m. Our next meeting will be Tuesday, November 11, at 9:15 a.m. in ES307.

Respectfully Submitted,

Pat Przybelski, Secretary