UW-GREEN BAY RETIREE ASSOCIATION  
Minutes of BOD meeting November 16, 2009

Present: Baer, Brown, Brunette, K.Fleurant, P. Fleurant, Hendricks  
Mancoske, McClure-Lukens, Murphy, Rader, Schwartz

Next meeting: December 14, 2009, 9-10:30 a.m., WH 318

MINUTES
Minutes of the October meeting were approved as presented.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

(1) Communication
The committee has added Roger Hodek to its membership but is still seeking someone to be web site coordinator. Immediate needs include updating the listing of board members and the RA by-laws. The Oral History Project DVD presented at the annual dinner should also be placed on the web site. The Advancement Office now has responsibility for maintaining the site, but at present lacks the capability of accepting on-line registration for events or applications for membership.

(2) Program
Paula Fleurant is the new chairman of the Program Committee, which will focus on education, recreation and socialization during the coming year. Kathy Altergott continues as a committee member. Plans for the 2010 annual dinner meeting are already under way, with a date to be announced in the near future.

(3) Membership
The RA has 92 members and 110 on the listserv. To date, UWGB retirees number almost 300, many of whom continue to live in the area and are potential RA members. Future employee retirements and deaths will be recorded as they occur in the Advancement data base along with RA membership information.

Increasing membership is a continuing goal, and we should “prepare whatever is appropriate to appeal to new members.” (Schwartz) A lifetime membership is one possibility. Another is an ID “privilege card,” which could bring greater visibility to the Association. The brochure now in preparation will also be helpful.

For future discussion: Our RA is currently listed as a member of the Association of Retiree Organizations in Higher Education (AROHE). Do we wish to continue our membership? Whatever is decided, the organization should be given the name of a current Board member replacing Wes Carvenough, who is currently listed.

(4) Service
Oral History: A report from the project sub-committee specifies tasks to be accomplished under a work plan to move the project forward. Further recommendations were for a meeting with Mike Schmitt to determine potential costs and for a second consultation with Troy Reeves for help in designing a project specific to Green Bay and within our present capabilities and resources.
Deb Anderson will also plan a few more brown-bag sessions to acquaint people with the University archives. Funding remains an issue. It is essential to pursue a commitment of financial support from the University, the entity that will benefit most from successful implementation of the project. The Committee will get a ballpark estimate of funding needs (for audio recorders and tapes, transcription expenses, etc.) and develop a funding proposal.

**Retiree Scholarship:** The scholarship sub-committee needs several more members (including individuals with expertise in the area) to develop criteria for the award, draw up documents for applicants and other tasks. Prompt action is needed to carry out a proposal to grant the first $700 scholarship next spring for use in the fall semester of 2010.

**Interest Survey:** Barbara presented a draft copy of a Service Committee survey to determine the interest of RA members and other retirees in possible projects proposed for the future. The survey will be revised in keeping with comments and suggestions from board members and mailed to those on the retiree listserv. Information from responses will be tabulated by Barbara and used to set priorities for RA service projects. Barbara offered a motion to appropriate $15 to cover mailing costs to RA members and other retirees who are not on the listserv. It was seconded by Mike and approved by the board.

Betty Brown, Secretary