

RETIREE ASSOCIATION MINUTES

NOVEMBER 8, 2016

9:30 A.M, ES 307

Attendance: Jim Wiersma, Ginny Dell, Jessica Hopp, Michael Kraft, Frank Madzarevic, Judi Pietsch, Pat Przybelski, Chris Sampson, Dan Spielman, Ron Starkey, Roger Vanderperren

Minutes of the October 11, 2016, meeting were approved without change.

Member Introductions were made to our third new Board member Judi Pietsch, who was unable to attend our October meeting.

Jessica Hopp Updates

Jessica handed out the financial reports for our two events held this year: 1) The August 12, 2016, Retiree Association Golf outing made \$320 toward our scholarship fund and a profit of \$73.50 toward our supplies and expense account. 2) The October 5, 2016, Retiree Association Banquet received a scholarship donation of \$100 and made a profit of \$98.15 toward our supplies and expenses account.

Meeting Schedule

The Board decided to continue meeting the 2nd Tuesday of each month at 9:30 a.m. in ES307. We do not currently have any pressing issues to discuss so we will skip the month of December and meet again January 10, 2017. No meetings are typically scheduled during the months of February and March. We will reconvene in April.

Retiree Scholarship Application

Financial Aid currently chooses our scholarship recipient. We agreed to continue to have them select the recipient each academic year. We do need to update our application, however, with dates and names and an awarded scholarship amount. The application was first prepared for the 2010-11 academic year and indicated the Retiree Association would award one \$500 scholarship each year. This year we have reached our endowment fund of \$25,000 and we can now award a \$1000 scholarship to a student. Financial read our application to mean a \$500 scholarship per student and they awarded two students an amount of \$500. We will want to change our application to read: "The Retiree Association will award one **\$1000** scholarship each academic year." We will continue to add donations to our scholarship fund until we reach another \$25,000 and we can award a second student with a \$1000 award. Pat and Jessica will discuss the changes with the Financial Aid Office.

Retiree Website Updates

- Pat went through the website to note any necessary changes. There are many areas that need updating, including the areas of "Support" and "Contact Us" which lists outgoing President Jim Wiersma as a contact, along with our liaison Jessica Hopp. We will delete a President's name in both areas and only list Jessica as our on-campus contact.
- Pat requested and received bios from our new Board members and she will update our website with this information under the tab "Board of Directors"
- Bob Skorczewski sent an email to Ken Fleurant, who passed it along to Pat, asking who or which office now updates the recent retiree's pages. The last update of the Recent Retirees page was in February 2015. The last update of the complete list (.docx) of all UW-Green Bay Retirees (linked at the bottom of the Recent Retirees page) was done on May 24, 2013. Pat and Jessica will check with the Human Resources office to see who is responsible for these updates.
- Bob Skorczewski also said he would continue to obtain the necessary approval from newspaper publishers to carry out retirees obituaries on the Association website. Pat will send Bob a thank you letter for continuing to list retiree obituaries on our website.

Possible Retiree Presentations

Jessica received an e-mail from Edward Anthony Cox, a doctor of Chiropractic, who has an office on the east side and is also the chiropractor for the athletic program at UW-Green Bay. He is interested in giving a presentation to retirees on staying young, preventing pain, and maintaining a healthy lifestyle for seniors. We discussed this and thought maybe this could be co-sponsored with another group, such as staff on campus. Prior to our next October banquet, we will send out an email to retirees listing some possible presentations and asking what programs retirees might be interested in attending in the future.

Election of Officers

Jim Wiersma, our current President, is leaving the Board after serving as President for the past six years. We discussed how we would like to handle filling his position, whether we have a monthly rotating President or we elect a President for either a one-year or two-year term. Jim asked if anyone was willing to volunteer to be President. Hearing no volunteer from the floor, a nomination was made and seconded that Pat Przybelski be elected President. Pat accepted the position for a one-year term. The next position to be filled was that of Secretary. A motion was made and seconded that Chris Sampson be elected Secretary. Chris accepted the position for a two-year term. Vice President Mike Kraft and Treasurer Frank Madzarevic are in the second year of their two-year term. A nomination was made and seconded that they continue in their current Board positions. Other members continuing on the Board are Roger Vanderperren, Ginny Dell and Ron

Starkey. Jim will continue as Immediate Past President on the Board. The Board congratulated Jim for all his work as Board President over the past six years.

Retiree Night at the Theatre – November 18

Chris contacted Linda Parins in the Theatre department to ask if we could get group retiree tickets for the play by Professor Brian Sutton titled “Searching for Romeo.” Linda was happy to hold a block of 20 tickets until Tuesday, November 8, for retirees to purchase at the reduced price of \$15. She also said that the retiree group could join in the refreshments after the play and meet the student actors. Chris said that 15 people had signed up to date. Chris is willing to pay for the tickets upfront and collect money from attendees the night of the play. Pat said that she already had tickets as a “First Nighter” and that she had heard from other retirees who are “First Nighters” that they would be attending the play and joining the group.

Organizational Chart

Last month we discussed that there have been many changes on campus, including going to four colleges, and that we would like to get an organization chart to see who was responsible for the various departments. Pat contacted the Chancellor’s office, but they did not have one available for distribution. Pat contacted the Provost’s office and was given a chart which she distributed to Board members.

New Business

We discussed our annual golf outing at the Shorewood Golf Course for 2017. We agreed on that the 3rd Thursday in August would be a good date. Frank will contact Lee Reinke to see if this date is available.

We should utilize our listserv better by getting information to retirees about things that might be of interest, especially items from the LOG. We will send an email with an event to read “In case you missed this announcement in the LOG: (paste item of interest) Any board member can send a message to the retiree listserv at uwgbretirees-l@listserv.uwgb.edu.

The meeting adjourned at 10:30 am. Our next meeting will be at 9:30 am on January 10, 2017, in the Retiree Office ES307.

Respectfully Submitted

Pat Przybelski