RETIREE ASSOCIATION BOARD MINUTES May 15, 2018 9:30 a.m., Lambeau Cottage

Attendance: President Dan Spielmann, Pat Przybelski, Chris Sampson, Curt Heuer,

Carol Emmons, Frank Madzarevic

Excused absence: David Kieper, Judi Pietsch, Kathy Pletcher

Guest: Roger Vanderperren

Minutes of previous meeting

Minutes of the April 17 meeting were reviewed. Motion by Curt, second by Pat, minutes were accepted without change.

Monthly update from University liaison

Jacob Depas, development officer with University Advancement, was unable to attend but forwarded information to Dan to be shared with the group. The main information item was is that UWGB is planning for major maintenance and improvement work on the Cofrin Memorial Arboretum. The most visible change would be new/improved trail bridges, six in all, at a cost in the low six figures, with private fundraising expected to support the work.

Planning for 2018 Benefit Golf Outing

Pat circulated the promotional flyer copy. She noted that the Retiree Association would promote a pay-online option. The date is Thursday, Aug. 16, 2018, at Shorewood Golf Course. Registration deadline is eight days previous. Fees are \$55/person with power cart, \$45 without, and \$12 dinner-only. Pat invited her fellow board members to be creative (and generous) in helping with donations for raffle and hole prizes. Donated items large and small, new or used (within reason) are welcome. Get those to her this summer.

Planning for annual banquet

The fall 2018 event is set for Thursday, Sept. 27. A save-the-date message will be posted immediately to the Retiree List-serv. The customary U.S. Postal Service direct mailing of invitations will be done in August. Pat is contacting the University Union and Food Service on dinner details. Board members narrowed the choice(s) for guest speaker, with an invitation to be extended after the meeting.

Possible future Retiree events involving Visual Arts

In the last year or so, as the Retiree Association has declared its intent to schedule at least one group outing to both a Phoenix sports event and a Performing Arts event each academic year, mention has been made that UWGB's Visual Arts program would also offer worthwhile options. Carol Emmons shared some suggestions developed in recent consultation with Assistant Curator of Art Emma Hitzman:

Private tour/talk of current Lawton exhibit(s) and/or other gallery holdings

- Around-campus art tour both loaned art to offices, also public sculptures/paintings
- Student presentations, in conjunction with 407 Gallery, juried or senior shows
- Studio visit with working Art Agency students
- Offer a joint gallery/museum open house morning (perhaps Richter museum?)

The Retiree Board will discuss these options and perhaps others in planning any 2018-19 outings.

Misc. business: Reports on flower planting, Verdi outing, oral history project

- A) Pat said the core team of volunteers was setting a date postponed by the very late spring to help with flower planting on the Shorewood Golf Course;
- B) Chris reported that about 15 retirees and guests attended the major "Verdi's Requiem" concert co-presented by UWGB Choral and the Civic Symphony. (Well short of the 35 who had originally signed up for the snowstorm-postponed original date in April, but a decent turnout and enjoyable event nonetheless.) A good time was had by all, and there continues to be interest in similar such group outings, moving forward.
- C) Retiree Board member 'emeritus' Roger Vanderperren gave a report on progress of the Oral History Project. He said the interview team secured an important (and lengthy) session with Bill Kuepper, the first UW-Green Bay campus dean and former longtime faculty member and provost. Roger also said it is understanding that the online archiving and keyword project is making progress.

Tuesday, June 19, was set as the next meeting of the Retiree Board, at 9:30 a.m., again at Lambeau Cottage along the campus bayshore. The meeting adjourned to reconvene outside for the Association's annual Arboretum Train Walk, this year to be led by Prof. Dan Meinhardt.

Respectfully Submitted
Chris Sampson, recording secretary