



## **ETSU Retirees Association Board Meeting**

**Tuesday, September 26, 2017**

**CALL TO ORDER:** The meeting was called to order at 3:30 p.m. by President David Kalwinsky. Members present: Gail Burleson, Don Carter, Mike Miyamoto, Priscilla Ramsey, Judith Story, Jeff Wardeska, Jerry Gehre, and John Hancock. Members absent – Tod Jablonski. Diana McClay and Krista Richesin represented the Office of Human Resources.

**PRESENTATION AND CONSIDERATION OF MINUTES:** Minutes of the August 29, 2017 were approved with editorial changes and accepted.

### **COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

- a) **Executive Committee:** Dave Kalwinsky suggested the names of four people to fill vacancies on the board – Fred Tudiver, Susan Burkey, Dale Schmidt, and Louis Modica. There is one position left. The THERA meeting will be held at Fall Creek Falls State Park on November 5-6. Austin-Peay University will be hosting. Tentative attendees: Dave Kalwinsky, Jerry Gehre, Mike Miyamoto, and Priscilla Ramsey. Names will be finalized by next meeting.
- b) **Communications and Membership Committees:** Chair Judy Story announced that there are 347 members of ETSURA. No other report.
- c) **Finance Committee:** Jeff Wardeska reported for the Finance Committee. As of August 17<sup>th</sup>: Operating Fund Account – \$7,116.98; Life Membership Account Fund - \$20,475.32; Scholarship Endowment Investment Account Fund - \$205,489.36; Endowment Interest Income Account Fund - \$18,051.32, ETSURA Special Projects Fund- \$271.08 for a total of \$251,404.06.
- d) **Program Committee:** Chairs Mike Miyamoto and Don Carter discussed the Annual Meeting that will be held on November 3<sup>rd</sup> at the JC Country Club. Grant Summers will speak on the renovation of the Old Mill. Dr. Noland has been invited. Heath Hill, an ETSURA scholarship recipient, will perform music selections. It was voted and approved to give him a \$100 honorarium. Heather Killmeyer, Assistant Professor of Music at ETSU, will do an oboe recital and be presented with a \$100 honorarium as well. Jerry Gehre agreed to do the invocation. Again, we will do door prizes and several items were suggested. Table decorations will be adorned with toy construction trucks and flower arrangements. Dave and Judy have picked out the menu. Envelopes will be placed on the tables for scholarship donations. Dave will conduct the election of new officers for the ETSURA Board. Doug Taylor from the Quillen College of Medicine

was suggested as the speaker for next Eat n Chat in February. Dave Kalwinsky will continue to post email reminders to ETSURA members of all upcoming events.

- e) **University/Community Service Committee:** Chair Jerry Gehre reported that only ETSURA Board members are volunteering at 2<sup>nd</sup> Harvest. Dave will encourage members attending the Annual Meeting to join in. It was suggested that a representative from 2<sup>nd</sup> Harvest be invited to the Annual Meeting to set up a table with information and recruit more volunteers.
- f) **Liaison Committee:** Priscilla Ramsey reported the Tennessee University Faculty Senate (TUFS) group met September 15-18 at UTK. They addressed issues related to tenure, academic freedom, outsourcing and other matters. Nothing definitive was presented by Randy Byington, ETSU representative, nor anything directly related to ETSURA. ETSU will host this group next fall.
- g) Meeting was adjourned at 4:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Priscilla Ramsey, Secretary