



RETIRES ASSOCIATION
EAST TENNESSEE STATE UNIVERSITY

RETIRES ASSOCIATION BOARD MEETING
Tuesday, October 28, 2014

CALL TO ORDER: President-Elect Ethel Garrity called the meeting to order at 3:40 p.m. The following members were present: Susan Campbell, Bill Fisher, Ted Hughes, Tod Jablonski, Charles Moore, and Phyllis Taylor. Also attending were newly-elected members David Kalwinsky and Janis Verran. Diana McClay represented the Human Resources' staff.

The meeting was opened with a welcome to David and Janis, and introductions were made. Ethel presented Diana with a gift of appreciation for her having taken such good care of us the past year

PRESENTATION AND CONSIDERATION OF THE MINUTES:

Tod Jablonski made a motion to approve the minutes as printed. Phyllis Taylor seconded the motion and it passed.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Executive Committee: Dr. Ken Mijeski, Chair

Since Ken was unable to be present, election of officers is postponed until the November meeting, which will be held on Tuesday, November 25th.

A copy of the Foundation fundraising letter was distributed and discussed. Charles Moore suggested that the letter should be left margin justified with a ragged right margin--for less of a form letter appeal. Tod Jablonski made a motion that the letter be sent as worded, seconded by Charles Moore and passed.

Communications Committee: Dr. Mike Miyamoto, Chair

Mike was unable to be present, thus no report was made.

Finance Committee: Mr. Charles Moore

Charles presented the report as follows: Operating Fund Account: \$4,980.03; Life Membership Account: \$19,565.00; Scholarship Endowment Investment Account: \$183,605.66; Endowment Interest Income Account; \$15,342.62; ETSURA Special Projects Fund: \$250.50.

Membership Committee: Dr. Priscilla Ramsey, Chair

Membership is at an all-time high of 371.

Program Committee: Mrs. Ethel Garrity, Chair

Ethel reported that the Annual Luncheon was well received at the Country Club--food was good, entertainment was good, and we made a profit. Ted Hughes has entertainment lined up for next year.

Susan Campbell made a motion to give the Music Department a \$50 honorarium for providing the entertainment for the luncheon. Phyllis Taylor seconded the motion and it passed.

The new Program Committee Chair will set the dates for the Eat and Chats. Discussion followed as to returning to Golden Corral with the certainty that we be able to reserve the meeting room, and avoid the days that the Police have it reserved. Ethel will check to confirm that schedule. We can vary our choice of days to Monday, Wednesday, or Thursday.

University/Community Service Committee:

The meeting at Fall Creek Falls will be November 2-3. Representatives from ETSURA's planning to attend are Ethel Garrity, Dr. Priscilla Ramsey, and Charles Moore. Diana prepared items which should be taken to the meeting.

Liaison Committee: Dr. Bill Fisher, Chair

Dr. Fisher reminded the group that open annual enrollment for Medicare is October 15-December 7.

The Social Security raise will be 1.7%. Also, the Social Security Part B rate will not change next year. POMCO premium will also not change.

While on the subject of Medicare, Diana announced that another Medicare class has been scheduled for November 19th, since the last presentation was not well received.--information was just not clearly presented.

Concerning the workshop schedule, David Kalwinsky will attend the November 4th session at 5 p.m. - 6 p.m.

OTHER BUSINESS:

Tod Jablonski reported from the Faculty Senate meeting. They have proposals concerning lectureship contracts and additional scholarship information. We will receive more information at the November meeting.

Our next meeting will be November 25th.

Those judging the skits need to report at 6:30 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT: Ted Hughes made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Tod Jablonski and passed. Meeting was adjourned at 4:18 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Susan Campbell for Rachel Henry, Secretary