



RETIREES ASSOCIATION

EAST TENNESSEE STATE UNIVERSITY

RETIREES ASSOCIATION BOARD MEETING

Tuesday, November 25, 2014

CALL TO ORDER: President Ken Mijeski called the meeting to order at 3:30 p.m. The following members were present: Tod Jablonski, Phyllis Taylor, Priscilla Ramsey, Ethel Garrity, Mike Miyamoto, Ted Hughes, Susan Campbell, Ethel Garrity, and Jerry Rust.

PRESENTATION AND CONSIDERATION OF THE MINUTES: It was moved seconded that the minutes be approved as corrected by changing Medicare Part A to Medicare Part B. The motion was carried.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE:

Elections were held for officers for 2015. All were accepted by Acclamation. President: Ethel Garrity; Vice-President and Program Chairman: Mike Miyamoto; Treasurer: Charles Moore; and Secretary: Priscilla Ramsey.

Ted Hughes has spoken with Betty Tester and Betty is willing to fill in the one year remaining of Bobbie Lewis' term. This was approved.

COMMUNICATIONS COMMITTEE: No Report.

FINANCE COMMITTEE: Ken Mijeski presented the Financial Report as follows: Operating Fund Account: \$5,641.27; Life Membership Account: \$19,715.00; Scholarship Endowment Investment Account: \$183,802.66; Endowment Interest Income Account; \$15,342.62; ETSURA Special Projects Fund: \$250.50; Total Assets: \$224,752.05.

MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE: The 2015 Membership as of 11/18/14 is 323. The Committee will contact new retirees as well as those who have not paid for 2015. There was some discussion as to how many times the same people should be called. No decisions regarding this were made.

PROGRAM COMMITTEE: Ethel Garrity reported that the February Eat and Chat will take place at 11 a.m. on Thursday, February 19th at the Golden Corral (the date of Feb. 18 was incorrect and the 19th has been verified). Ethel will ask Marcia Songer to present a program on the Arts in Johnson City.

UNIVERSITY/COMMUNITY SERVICE COMMITTEE: No Report.

LIAISON COMMITTEE: Ethel Garrity and Priscilla Ramsey reported on the Annual Tennessee Higher Education Retirees Association (THERA) meeting at Fall Creek Falls in early November. Items discussed at THERA included membership surveys (Ethel has some examples and Mike Miyamoto suggested an online survey.); displays of ETSURA activities; membership activities; and, formation of other social and service opportunities. There will be more discussion of these topics on the coming year. In regards to any surveys to be conducted it was pointed out that Professional Development might have an online ACL Survey that can be used. The contact person for this is Darla Dye.

FACULTY SENATE REPORT: Tod Jablonski reported that the Faculty Senate has discussed the formation of a Faculty Club again. He handed out a set of recommendations presented to the Faculty Senate regarding this proposal. The ETSURA board made no statement on this issue.

The Faculty Senate also needs volunteers to serve on its Steering Committees and has been discussing its interest in an Emeritus Faculty designation. Tod pointed out that faculty now receive all the benefits entailed without the designation.

With no further business, it was moved and seconded that the meeting be adjourned. The meeting was adjourned at 4:27 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by

Ethel Garrity for Rachel Henry, Secretary