



RETIREES ASSOCIATION

EAST TENNESSEE STATE UNIVERSITY

ETSU Retirees Association Board Meeting

Tuesday, July 26, 2016

1. **CALL TO ORDER:** The meeting was called to order at 3:33 pm by President Mike Miyamoto. Members present were: Mike Miyamoto, Ethel Garrity, Charles Moore, Tod Jablonski, David Kalwinsky, Georgia Greer, Judy Story, Ken Mijeski, Ted Hughes and Diana McClay representing Human Resources. Priscilla Ramsey, Jerry Gehre and Candy Stieler were absent.
2. **PRESENTATION AND CONSIDERATION OF THE MINUTES:** It was moved and seconded that the minutes be approved with suggested changes of “Eastern” to Eastman”. Minutes were then approved unanimously.
3. **COMMITTEE REPORTS**
 - a) Executive Committee: Dr. Mike Miyamoto, Chair: No report. Willene Paxton’s passing was noted. Newsletter deadline is August 30.
 - b) Communications Committee: Dr. Priscilla Ramsey, Chair: No report
 - c) Finance Committee: Mr. Charles Moore, Chair: Charles presented the following report: Operating Account \$8,088.65; Life Membership Account \$20,234.54; Scholarship Endowment Investment Account \$198,661.55; Endowment Interest Income Account \$14,552.23 and ETSURA Special Projects Fund \$271.08 for a total of \$241,808.05.
 - d) Membership Committee: Dr. Priscilla Ramsey, Chair: There were four new members since the May meeting. Total membership: 362.
 - e) Program Committee: Dave Kalwinsky:

The Annual Picnic was held on Friday, June 17 at the DEPOT at Franklin Commons in the new Food City. Guests were Wilsie Bishop COO, ETSU; Scott Carter, Senior Associate Athletic Director, COO; and Yasser Zaatini, Director of Tennis and Men’s Head Coach. All three guests gave updates in their areas of responsibility. Scott Carter spoke about fund raising opportunities he is pursuing for the new stadium and said that when it is completed there will be a space that will be dedicated to group activities such as picnics! Yasser Zaatini spoke about the success of the Men’s doubles tennis team in reaching the Final Four after 3 upsets. Also the Men’s and Women’s Tennis Teams earned Intercollegiate Tennis Association All-Academic Team Honors while having 10 students named as Scholar Athletes.

The picnic and venue were judged by all as a success and the Board will certainly consider the DEPOT for next year.

The next Eat and Chat will be Thursday September 15. Geoff Stunkard from the Railroad Museum will speak. The Annual Meeting will be on Friday, October 14. Steve Wallace from the Gray Fossil Site will speak. Ed Snodderly will provide entertainment and talk about the history of the Downhome. Dave Kalwinsky, Mike Miyamoto and Ethel Garrity will discuss arrangements with Greg Saunders at the JCCC on Tuesday, August 2.

- f) University/Community Service Committee: Ken Mijeski reported that ETSURA will volunteer on Wednesday, August 10 at Second Harvest Food Bank from 9 a.m. – noon.

Also, members will volunteer at Move-in-Day on Thursday, August 18.

We discussed the possibility of volunteering for the next WETS fundraiser.

- g) Liaison Committee: Tod Jablonski: No report. Tod will attend the Faculty Retreat.

4. ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 4:24 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Ethel Garrity, Secretary