



RETIREES ASSOCIATION
EAST TENNESSEE STATE UNIVERSITY

ETSU Retirees Association Board Meeting
Tuesday October 27, 2015

Call to Order: Ethel Garrity, Mike Miyamoto, Dave Kalwinsky, Ted Hughes, Charles Moore, Priscilla Ramsey, Jerry Rust, Ken Mijeski, Betty Tester, Jerry Gehre, and Tod Jablonski. Absent: Mike Marchioni. Diana McClay represented the Office of Human Recourses.

Presentation and Consideration of Minutes: Minutes from September 29, 2015 were approved with corrections.

Executive Committee: Ethel Garrity reported that the Annual Meeting plans were set for October 30, 2015. Ted Hughes will present a ballot of new members to be voted on by member acclamation at the meeting to include: Judy Story, Candy Stieler, Mike Miyamoto, and Tod Jablonski. Entertainment will be the singing group Appalachian Men of Note. November 4th is Ms. Martha Culp's 100th birthday and a card will be available on a table for everyone to sign at the Annual Meeting. A motion was made and approved to also send flowers. It was suggested that we have a card available for signatures at the Annual Meeting for long time member Bill Fisher who has not been able to attend ETSURA meetings due to poor health. THERA update: those attending the THERA meeting will be Ethel Garrity, Jerry Gehre and wife, Betty Tester and husband, Tod Jablonski and wife, and Mike Miyamoto and wife. The meeting will take place at Fall Creek Falls State Park on November 8th and 9th.

Communications Committee: Mike Miyamoto stated that there are 45 members who do not have email addresses, so contact by mail or phone are the only other options. We need to coordinate with the membership committee to avoid duplication.

Finance Committee: Report from Charles Moore, Operating Account Fund - \$7,093.81 (+885.51 from last month), Life Membership Account- \$20,315.00 (-\$50.00), Scholarship Endowment Investment account – \$192,259.47 (+\$52.00), Endowment Interest Income Fund \$18,052.23 (no change), ETSURA Special Projects Fund - \$271.08 (no change).

Membership Committee: Jerry Rust and his committee met to distribute the list of new members, and names were selected to receive a phone call to join ETSURA and encourage them to come to the Annual Meeting. Committee members are still working on their calls. Number of members currently is 373.

Program Committee: Report by Mike Miyamoto – 102 members have signed up for the Annual Meeting. Tables will be decorated with carved pumpkins which will be a door prize for a lucky table winner. Dan Schumaier will be the guest speaker on the Tweetsie Trail. Diana McClay announced that participants will receive a free stadium cushion.

Service Committee: Dave Kalwinsky announced that 7 volunteers participated in the October 7th Second Harvest service project. Over 300 back packs of food for kids were filled. The next volunteer opportunity will be November 4th.

Liaison Committee: Betty Tester – Privatization of state jobs as proposed by the governor is still a concern for the future effect on retirement funds. Members need to compare Part-D insurance for changes. POMCO has also increased this year.

Faculty Senate: No report.

Respectfully submitted,

Priscilla Ramsey, Secretary