



RETIREES ASSOCIATION

EAST TENNESSEE STATE UNIVERSITY

ETSU Retirees Association Board Meeting Tuesday November 24, 2015

Call To Order: Mike Miyamoto, Dave Kalwinsky, Candy Stieler, Charles Moore, Priscilla Ramsey, Jerry Rust, Betty Tester, Judy Story, Tod Jablonski and Georgia Greer. Absent: Ethel Garrity, Ken Mijeski, Ted Hughes and Jerry Gehre. Diana McClay represented the Office of Human Resources.

Presentation and Consideration of Minutes: Minutes for October 27, 2015 were approved with corrections. Jerry Gehre and Betty Tester did not attend the THERA meeting in October.

Special Guest: Ramona Williams requested that the ETSURA help during new student move in day in August at Dossett Hall to assist students in finding the right office, answering questions, etc. from 11 a.m.- 2 p.m. Board members decided to wait until August to respond to this request when we have more information.

Executive Committee: Mike Miyamoto conducted the meeting in place of Ethel Garrity. Georgia Greer is replacing Mike Marchioni who has resigned. Other new members are Judy Story and Candy Stieler. A report of the annual THERA meeting held October 8th and 9th written by Ethel Garrity was reviewed. THERA report is attached.

Communications Committee: Mike Miyamoto stated there are 45 members who do not have email who need to be contacted by phone for events. Checking on their welfare is also a benefit of direct contact. Member Ginger Hawk Rutherford, known to many members present, died recently.

Finance Committee: Report from Charles Moore, Operating Account Fund - \$7,482.91 (+390.10 from last month), Life Membership Account- \$20,466.29 (+151.29), Scholarship Endowment Investment account – \$192,311 (+\$52.47), Endowment Interest Income Fund \$18,052.23 (no change), ETSURA Special Projects Fund - \$271.08 (no change).

Membership Committee: Jerry Rust and his committee made calls to new members and found that many had moved and others from whom they had no response. New or renewed members are Susan Campbell, Don and Carole Wilkinson, and Julia Herwig.

Program Committee: Report by Mike Miyamoto – A record 106 attended the Annual Meeting October 30th. The event netted a total of \$1,278.85. It was suggested that Steve Wallace of the ETSU Fossil site be the speaker for the next annual meeting and Ed Snodderly as entertainment.

Service Committee: Dave Kalwinsky announced that 9 volunteers participated in the November 7th Second Harvest service project. Over 300 back packs of food for kids were filled. The next volunteer opportunity will be December 9th.

Liaison Committee: Betty Tester – POMCO will increase \$1.79 this year. As of July 1, 2015, future retirees will not be eligible for group health or Medicare Supplement insurance when they retire.

Faculty Senate: No report.

There is a vacancy on the ETSU Wellness Center for a retiree. Betty Tester volunteered.

Respectfully submitted,

Priscilla Ramsey, Secretary