

UMSL Retirees Association Board of Directors

Minutes of the March 7, 2019 Meeting

Attending: Kettler, Spaner, Martinich, Hickman, Murray, Schnell, Ganz, Burkholder, and Haywood

- I. The December 5, 2018 **minutes** were accepted as amended.
- II. The **treasurer's report** was approved and the holiday luncheon report was reviewed. Steve Spaner pointed out that Retirees Association and Human Resources donations really help the bottom line of the holiday luncheon.
- III. **Newsletter Progress and Retirees Award**

Debbie Kettler reported that Mark Pope changed his mind about taking care of the RA Newsletter, due to family obligations. Lol Barton has indicated that he would help out but not take the lead, so we still need someone who will take the lead in gathering information for the newsletter. Ultimately the goal is still to get a newsletter out twice a year, but for now once a year will do. Board members suggested names of those we might recruit to take the lead on the newsletter: Sharon Davis and Dave Garin (Steve will contact), Sandy MacLean and Maureen Zegel (Debbie will contact), Cindy Vantine (Dave will contact), Sandy Morris (Clark will contact), and Nancy Ashford. The discussion of a lead for the newsletter crossed over to a discussion about awards and feature stories. We do not have many nominees for the new award, especially staff. Names of possible honorees were Sandy MacLean (Mark will contact) and Shirley Martin. Nominations were to be to Human Resources by April 1st.

IV. Upcoming **Events**

- A. Debbie wrote up an article for the MU Retirees newsletter regarding the Alzheimer's event and this will be sent out as a separate notice. Dave has set up the streaming, which will be on "Zoom". It was noted that one of the panelists has changed. The event is planned for April 5th in Busch Hall. We need to clarify the building (location) and parking. Signage difficulties were acknowledged. It was suggested that the 3 office campus guests be met at the parking site. Dave Ganz will contact Zuleyma about this. An e-mail will be sent out around March 17th and again 1 week before the event.
- B. Mike Murray had suggested a possible program would be given by Charles Schmitz about his travels and centered around his photos. A discussion of the pros and cons was held. Tom Schnell will further discuss the possibilities with Charley.
- C. A visit to Soldier's Memorial was discussed
- D. A possible trip to Cahokia Mounds on October 18th was discussed.

- E. Mike asked if we ever wanted to go off site for meetings, to a location such as the MAC. After discussion, the consensus was that we did not want to go off site.

VII. Board Member **Elections**

Possible members who might be willing to be elected: Sandy Diamond, Helene Sherman, Becky Walstrom, Dave Ganz, and Mark Pope.

A discussion was held about representing the diversity of the campus with nominees. So, other names mentioned were: Bernie Feldman, Lois Pierce, Joel Glassman. The officers needed are President-Elect, Secretary, Treasurer. Office holders can be renewed for 6 terms. The Past President chairs the nominating committee. We need more information about nominees from Chuck. Debbie will talk to him. Membership of the nominating committee was review.

There was no new business.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:00.

Respectfully submitted,
Kathleen Haywood