

UMSL Retirees Association

Board of Directors Meeting November 14, 2019

Attending: Murray, Hickman, Kettler, Spaner, Ganz, Hattman, Garin

Approval of minutes: Mike Murray.

Approved as amended

Treasurers Report- Finance and Membership: Steve Spaner

Pointed out the detail changed but not \$ in Nov. report

We have an increase in applications from 1st year retirees

Retiree Awards Committee- Clark Hickman

Meeting with Kristin Sobolik on 12/12 to discuss the following things:

- 1) re-constitution of selection committee as past winners should now be included from both staff and faculty;
- 2) bring \$ amount of award up to parity with other service awards;
- 3) create a mechanism to explain the selection of these individuals to the audience;
- 4) coordinate with campus system procedure of giving service awards;

Also will request a recommitment from the Chancellor's office for the continued financial support of the June luncheon meeting

Recent Events- Mike Murray

Cahokia Mounds Tour- October 19, 2019

Charley Schmitz Talk on Antarctica- 12 people were in attendance

Upcoming Events

Holiday Luncheon- Dec 5 at Glen Echo Country Club- Debbie Kettler

HR will continue to pay for printing and mailing of invitations, \$23.00 pp for luncheon; ticket cost will have to go up next year.

Debbie shared with the board the Holiday luncheon budget and options of subsidizing the cost of ticket prices. (see bottom of budget page). Board discussed but no decision was made.

Debbie asked for the board's input on details- entertainment, music, non alcoholic option, and fact sheets for tables- what and how many of each?

In case of snow? Debbie K. will talk with GECC on their policy.

June meeting minutes? Steve will locate.

FYI- we have a reciprocal agreement with Norwoods Country Club and new contacts at GECC.

New location for the future luncheons?

Tour of the Arch -March 31, 2020 (tentative)

Tom Schnell sent an email Nov 9 for board discussion around accessibility and parking for members who might need assistance entering the Arch Grounds. Board continued to discuss and a suggestion was made to contact the Arch for guidance.

Spring Luncheon 2020

Clark Hickman will discuss with Int. Chancellor Kristin Sobolik on 12/12

New Business

Discussed the amended Healthcare Enrollment letters being reissued by System. Concerns around timing of letters and meeting enrollment deadlines for 2020.

Appointment of an UMSL representative as liaison to UM system to actively participate in budget/ benefits discussions. RE: Joe Martinich performed in this role in the past.

How can we as a board offer support to our HR representative?

Melissa Hattman will check on tuition assistance/waiver for retiree and family; check on library benefits for retirees

Next meeting.

No meeting in December prior to luncheon -- by unanimous vote

Motion to adjourn by Debbie Kettler
Unanimous vote to adjourn 11:36 a.m.

Minutes respectfully submitted for Kathie Haywood
Melissa Hattman

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