

MINUTES

UMSL Retirees Association Board Meeting Friday, December 13, 2024 Glen Echo Country Club

Present: Connie Jeffries, Steve Spaner, Helene Sherman, Cindy Vantine, Dave Ganz, Melissa Hattman, Sue Baber, Debbie Kettler, and Clark Hickman

Absent: Tom Eyssell, Mimi Duncan Ex-Officio Absent: David Garin, Lol Barton

Meeting called to order at 10:05 am by President-elect Connie Jeffries, in the absence of President Tom Eyssell.

The Minutes from the October 23, 2024, meeting were accepted.

Treasurer's Report

Treasurer Steve Spaner reported total assets as of December 13, 2024, as \$16,835.89 with reported expenses of \$2,413.99 resulting in a net balance of \$14,421.90.

Dr. Spaner presented several options to reinvest \$5,000 in a CD or other form of long-term investment. A motion was made by Dave Ganz, seconded by Steve Spaner, to invest in a 4% Certificate of Deposit at First Community Credit Union.

Motion PASSED 9-0.

Communications Committee

Sue Baber reported that the fall newsletter went out on time. She thanked those who contributed content for the newsletter and appreciated submissions being in a timely manner.

The deadline for the spring newsletter is April 15, 2025.

Activities Committee

The following were announced as upcoming activities of the Retirees Association:

1. Wednesday, February 12, 2025: UMSLRA Breakfast, "Five Estate Planning Mistakes People Make" with Bill Dickens and Kelly Moore, The Moneta Group. 9:00-11:00 am, 101 Woods Hall
2. Wednesday, March 19, 2025, Board Meeting, Glen Echo, 10:00 am
3. Tuesday, March 25, 2025: Tour of the St. Louis Holocaust Museum from 9-11:30 am
4. Wednesday, April 16, 2025: UMSLRA Breakfast, Topic TBD, 9-11 am, 101 Woods Hall
5. Wednesday, May 21, 2025: Board Meeting, Glen Echo, 10:00 am
6. Friday, June 6, 2025: Board Meeting, Glen Echo, 10:00 am followed by Annual Business Meeting at 12 noon.

It was announced that, as of the time of the Board Meeting, there were 57 registered for the December 13 Holiday Luncheon. Final numbers will be provided at the next Board meeting.

Membership

In Director Mimi Duncan's absence, it was announced that Duncan had attended a meeting of the College of Education faculty, met with the Alumni Association liaison, and revised the enrollment form.

Nominations

Past-president Melissa Hattman reported that the Nominations Committee would be populated soon. A new form is developed, to be pushed on in mid-January for members to declare their interest in a Board or Officer position. This form will be a fillable/online form. The deadline for submission is April 1, 2025.

Retiree of the Year Award

The committee for the Retiree of the Year Award consists of a member of the Faculty Senate, a member of the Staff Association, and two former awardees. Nominations are due April 1, 2024.

There was no Old or New Business.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:20 am.

Respectfully submitted,

Clark J. Hickman
Secretary

