

APPROVED September 8, 2015

**UW-Madison Retirement Association
Board of Directors Meeting
Minutes of June 2, 2015
UW Credit Union, 3500 University Avenue, Community Room**

Board Members Present (11):

Phil Certain	Cherie Krenke	Gary Mitchell
Bob Dye	Diane Kravetz	Sarah Potts
John Helgeson	Al Liegel	Ann Wallace
Dorothy Klinefelter	Cora Marrett	

Absent: (4) Darrell Barth, Barbara Erlenborn, Jan Richardson, Bill Richner

Minutes from March 10, 2015, approved

Reports:

Treasurer's Reports from March 31 and April 30. Moved to file: passed:
Ann Wallace reviewed the annual audit.

President's Report: Reviewed orientation meeting, our desire to increase membership on our committee, and our decision to try to have recorders for our events. The chair of the committee would be responsible to have a short article for the *The Sifter* for each event.

Discussion: A committee member may prepare the report, or the committee may ask an attendee to write it. May Ray will prepare a short outline, a template, of what should be included in this article. The outline will provide guidance as to content and length.

Executive Director's Report:

The electronic version of *The Sifter* is typically distributed one week before mailed copies.

Presented Audit Report: Accepted.

Discussed revisions for new brochure; revised language and that we need new photos that show activity at events, and people having fun.

We should have co-chairs for all committees – currently, some committees do not have a co-chair.

Discussed t-shirts ordered for the board last year; board decided to not order additional shirts

President's report and committee reports are posted on the UWRA website.

Old Business

Encouraged board members to attend New Retirees' Reception June 25th.

Distributed conflict of interest declarations.

There was no response to the Big 10 Conference at Michigan State; Wisconsin will not be represented this year.

Discussed our policy regarding two-year cycle for four food pantries. Need an article about how much money was collected for the pantries this year. We are not organizing volunteer opportunities at pantries. We are encouraging members to volunteer. The food pantry collections worked well. The Volunteer Committee should discuss if we should continue the same four pantries (Bethel Lutheran Church, Grace Episcopal Church, Mt. Zion Baptist Church, and St. Vincent de Paul) for another year, 2016-2017

Benefits Fair will be October 6th in Union South. Be prepared to volunteer to sit at the UWRA table for a two-hour shift between 9 am and 3 pm. More information in September.

New Business

The committee roster for 2015-16 is a work in progress. It will be distributed to the board and posted on our website.

The UW-Madison Retirement Issues Committee needs five representatives from UWRA next year. Five people volunteered to serve on the committee: Cora Marrett, Ann Wallace, Dorothy Klinefelter, John Helgeson, and Diane Kravetz.

Volunteers are needed for Opera in the Park, July 25th. Details were distributed on May 22nd

Update on relationship with UW Hospital and Clinics: Employees of UW Hospital and Clinics need to know more about UWRA. Bob Dye, Faisal Kaud, and Ann Wallace met with two of their executives, provided them with information about our programs, and gave them a proposal regarding establishing a relationship with UWRA. Their HR staff person will work with the chairs of our membership committee.

We need to get access to employees of UW Extension and the UW System to provide them with information about UWRA. We are working on this.

Board activities for next year: Board members should think about this. Activities that have been suggested so far include increasing sharing of information and challenges encountered; inviting all committee chairs to share information and identify issues for the board's consideration; revisiting the UWRA Mission Statement; encouraging/requiring all committees to distribute evaluations of their programs (only a few currently do this).

Meeting adjourned: Next meeting will be in September. The social committee is planning next year's "Shifting Gears" program.

Minutes submitted by
Diane Kravetz