

SOU Retiree Association
Minutes 1/20/16

Present: Frank Lang, Belinda Melenedez, Ralph Fidler, Barbie Breneiser, Bev Delazerda, Bonnie Rott, Glenda Wood.

President Ralph Fidler called the meeting to order at 3:30.

Minutes of September, 2015 were discussed.

Jim Dean will be helping Carol with the newsletter now. Claude Curran was unable to attend the last luncheon to do a presentation. Ralph will contact him to see if he can tell a story about SOU.

Minutes approved.

Treasurers Report

Glenda handed out her report for everyone to comment and add or question the report totals. SOU foundation – has had an unfilled position since about Nov. 30, and so we do not have all the required information from them yet. We can try to determine accuracy as of November 30. Beverly mentioned that this would be a good date to go by. Glenda mentioned the donations and membership fees that had been collected. The main information is in the report, along with totals. There needs to be some clarification with Jean Stallman, as \$1,300 (actual) money has been given for gifts, scholarships with money taken out for \$240 for newsletter fees. It will be clarified by next meeting. No other comments, the report was accepted. Beverly said we were doing pretty well on expenses and the information was pretty accurate. Budget and actual costs were clarified so anyone not used to the reports were able to know what we were talking about.

Newsletter Insert

Ralph made additional comments and changes to the President's report for the newsletter, that it looks good, and there was a notice about the luncheon.

Luncheon

A retiree had a request to change to the lunch location. However, after discussion we are going to leave it the same, most everyone attending the luncheon did seem pleased with the location and the food.

Council

Ralph mentioned that Bob Riehm and Herman Schmeling have not been attending meetings. He will contact them to see if they wish to continue on the council.

Ralph also mentioned we need a VP, someone to run the meeting and luncheon if he is unavailable for some reason to attend. It was suggested he talk to Ernie about helping.

Ralph is going to check with Rob about being notified of retiring staff. Penny is retiring and we need to be sure someone will be handling this function.

Glenda mentioned that Lorraine will help with the table at the next meeting, and Belinda and Glenda will also be there. We will continue collecting for dues as well as welcoming everyone to the meeting. Glenda has a list of who has already paid for this current year. Bonnie Rott and Barbie Breneiser also volunteered to help if needed.

It was mentioned that Drew Gilliland will be our speaker at the next meeting. He will update everyone on the status of the Science Building, and any other new construction plans.

There was a conversation regarding all of us emailing our friends to get them to the luncheon, to encourage comradery, and parking on that day was free. Some retirees have purple permits. We should encourage our staffers and other retirees that we have benefits, including reduction in athletic and theatre tickets; full access to the library with borrowing privileges; 10% discount at the bookstore; and ability to email on campus. We now have a presence on the Website. We discussed talking to the Administration about staff retiree's having purple permits. Ralph will contact Craig Morris.

At the spring meeting we need to vote on council members, because 5 are leaving and we need to get replacements. Bonnie, Herman, Ed, Ralph, and Dave are leaving the fold so we need replacements. Ralph is going to ask retirees to volunteer at the luncheon.

Our next luncheon is February 26; next council meeting April 6; spring luncheon is May 20.

Belinda moved we adjourn and Glenda 2nd at 4:18 p.m.

Respectfully,

Belinda Melendez
Secretary