

**Southern Oregon University Retirees Association
Council Meeting Minutes
October 24, 2012**

President Jerry Insley called the meeting to order at 9:10 a.m. in Campbell Hall room C at SOU. Additional council members in attendance were Sally Klein, Don Reynolds, James Dean, Ernest Ettlich, Lorraine Winger, Barbara Irvin, Jim Olsen, Pat Wolfe and Tom Pyle.

1. August and September Meeting Minutes

Ettlich moved (Dean seconded) that minutes of August meeting be approved. Motion passed unanimously. There was no meeting in September due to medical issues (since resolved) faced by president Insley.

2. Treasurer's Report

Members looked over income and expense statement and deposits to SOU Foundation report (as of 10/23/12) distributed by Klein. Treasurer Wolfe said she, Klein and Winger met to try to reconcile issues with reported expenses. Problem appears to be differing reports from foundation and SOU business offices and what Klein feels is an accurate reporting of association expenses. Klein said she would meet with SOU and foundation accounting staff to try to resolve problems and report back to council at January meeting.

3. Old Business

Proposed bylaws revisions re membership

Council reviewed two proposals presented by committee (DeLaZerda, Pyle, Olsen) offering different wording regarding eligibility for membership in the association (bylaws article III) and a third proposal regarding dues (article VII). There was lengthy discussion regarding benefits received by paying dues for membership as opposed to not doing so. After much expression of concern about the clarity (or lack thereof) of the membership and dues proposals, the council agreed that the matter should go back to committee. Ettlich suggested that a one paragraph proposal covering eligibility for membership, membership classifications and dues could be an approach for committee consideration. The council agreed to ask the committee to offer new recommendations for consideration at the January council meeting.

Luncheons

Insley stated that program for Friday, Oct. 26, fall luncheon is set and all details appear to have been covered. Irvin volunteered to help at entrance desk. Klein reported that 38 people are expected and that she will order 42 meals in case a few more show up. She noted costs are going up, thereby cutting into association reserves. She said caterer says he is serving organic, unfrozen food, which leads to higher cost. Concern was raised that if we charge more for lunch, we will lose attendance. It was suggested that

we seek donations at entrance in order to help offset higher costs incurred. Insley said speakers for February (John Rachor) and May (Mary Cullinan) have been reconfirmed. Concern was expressed over lateness of printing of most recent newsletter and how that may have led to low attendance at upcoming luncheon. Insley said he would discuss the matter with newsletter editor Carol McNair.

4. New Business

None

5. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 9:55 a.m.

The next council meeting will be at 9 a.m., Wednesday, Jan. 16, 2013.

Tom Pyle,
Acting Secretary