UNIVERSITY OF IOWA RETIREES ASSOCIATION MINUTES
April 9, 2013

The meeting was called to order at 1:00 PM by President Nancy Williams


Reports from Officers:

Secretary
March meeting Minutes
Dawson moved, Starck seconded a motion to accept the March 12, 2013 Minutes with the correction of the spelling of Kris Canfield’s name. Approved unanimously.

Treasurer
Joe Joynt reported that:
• UIRA is financially in good shape.
• we no longer have a computer charge for the Gray Hawk as we are doing the work internally.

Treasurer’s report as of January 1, 2013
$2,714/66 Total checking account balance
$2,533.85 Hills CD account balance - matures 10/2/14
$1,021.11 Vanguard Money Market
$13,303.24 Vanguard GNMA @ 2.09%
$16,858.20 Total Reserve Funds

Kuntz moved, Spaziani seconded motion to accept the report as printed. Approved unanimously

President
Nancy Williams reported that:
• due to one candidate’s illness, it has been necessary to change the nominees for UIRA Officers for the coming year….. Katharine Bjorndal as a Director at Large and Ken Starck as President Elect.
• the Pre-Retirement Seminar will focus on financial issues this year. Therefore there will be no opportunity for UIRA to make a presentation… only to hand out brochures and Newsletters.

Past President
Ken Kuntz reported that
• the Annual Picnic will be held June 4th in Shelter #6 at City Park. Hy Vee will cater the chicken dinner. A person from Riverside Theater will speak to the group and then there will be an opportunity to attend an “open rehearsal” in the Shakespeare Theater close by.
• those leaving the Board are reminded to bring their Operations Handbooks to their last meeting to be handed on to new members.

Reports from Committees:

Newsletter
Ann Ford reported that:
• the deadline for the next Newsletter is April 24th.
• the Post Office has initiated several new rules… among them is mandating the use of heavier (20#) paper. Therefore we must work to keep the entire publication to 2 sheets per copy to keep our costs down.
• we will continue to monitor the number of electronic vs. US Mail copies being sent so that we can be most cost effective.

**EFC**
There have been several communications between Nancy Williams and the EFC concerning a possible merger. Several details need to be worked out and the conversation is on-going.

**Membership**
Ruth Dawson reported:
• that there have been four new members added this past month.
• the Membership Form needs updating. She and Gene Spaziani will make the needed corrections.

**Communications/Promoting UIRA**
Ken Starck reported that
• he continues to work out details for initiating an on-line Photo Contest. He circulated a Draft Proposal to the Board to read and give input. Discussion with much positive feedback followed.
• AROHE 2014 meeting will be hosted by the University of Minnesota and will be back-to-back with the Big Ten Retirees there.
• he will write an article for the Newsletter about possible new Interest Groups within UIRA.

**New Business:**
The Annual Meeting will be Tuesday, April 23\(^{rd}\). There are 46 reservations thus far.

**Old Business**
No old business

Meeting adjourned

Next meeting Tuesday, May 14, 2013 at 1:00 PM

Nancy Ross, Secretary