

UIRA Board of Directors

**May 10, 2022
Zoom Meeting**

Attending: Deb Cobb, Sam Cochran, Chuck Dayton, Ed Dove, David Fitzgerald, Lesanne Fliehler, Lois Lembke, Pat Mason-Browne, Frank Mitros, Vicki Siefers, Billie Townsend, Carolyn Wanat

Call to Order – Carolyn Wanat, President

The meeting was called to order at 1:07 p.m.

Reports from Officers

Approval of Minutes

The April 12 minutes were approved on a motion from David, seconded by Ed.

Treasurer – David Fitzgerald

The checking account balance of \$16,271.31 includes \$630.68 in membership income. Award amounts (to be distributed) total \$234.90. The Vanguard account continues to decline and is at its 2019 level.

President-Elect – Ed Dove

There is not yet a written response from the UI Center for Advancement (UICA) to the Memorandum of Understanding. The target date for a response is July 1. Ed is proposing a task force to review/test each Memorandum process: Lois, Chuck, Lesanne, David, and Pat. Ed, Carolyn, and Sam will be meeting in-person with Lauren McLeran and two representatives from UICA on Thursday, May 17, at 9 a.m.

Past President – Sam Cochran

Sam is editing slides in preparation for the June 16 Annual Meeting.

President – Carolyn Wanat

Carolyn has been in communication with Kate Sojka, UICA, who is working on the UIRA proposal with that staff. UICA leadership has reviewed and forwarded it to the University. When Memorandum details have been finalized, it is expected that UIRA will no longer use NEON.

Reports from Committees

***The Gray Hawk* – Lesanne Fliehler**

The June issue is the last before publication resumes in September. If Memorandum details are finalized during the summer, information can be sent to the membership via the listserv (or as a *Gray Hawk* special issue via the listserv).

The expense for April includes the cost of printed ballots.

Membership – Lois Lembke

There are 648 current members in 515 households. Seven new members are scheduled to be included in the May *Gray Hawk*; 2 are scheduled for the June issue. Two hundred seventy renewal requests were sent last week, with 33 responses to date. Four members have requested a July 1 start date; otherwise, the start date is for the current year.

Program Committee – Sam Cochran

Final events:

- First 100 Days, Meghann Foster, Coralville mayor, Wednesday, May 11, 3 p.m., via Zoom

Outings: (registration required for both; details in the May *Gray Hawk*)

- Cangaleska Wakan Ephemeral Forest Hike, Monday, May 16, 10 a.m. – noon. There are 16 registrants so far. Sam will send a reminder to the listserv tomorrow.
- Kayaking at Kent Park Lake, Tuesday, June 2, 10 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. Four people have registered.

Lesanne will include a thank-you box in the June *Gray Hawk* to acknowledge this year's program presenters.

The committee is working on details for the June 16 Annual Meeting. The zoom format will again include power point slides, photos, and announcements.

Summer meetings will include a review of last year's survey results. Carolyn has contacted Sue Otto about a new survey (to be administered after election results are in) on format preferences (i.e., in-person, Zoom, or hybrid) for programming, with results to be shared at the Annual Meeting.

EFC

Professor Harleah Buck, UI College of Nursing, will address the Association of Emeritus Faculty annual meeting, Monday, May 16, 10 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. (via Zoom): Envisioning a Future of Optimal Aging and Well-Being for Older Adults and Their Caregivers.

Frank will chair the Council's annual meeting, whose theme will be informational coordination and opportunities for involvement among the EFC, UIRA, and Senior College. Frank invited UIRA board members to send suggestions to Carolyn, who will pass them along to him by Friday, May 13. Lesanne mentioned that Erin Brokel, UICA, could be a resource for this integration project.

New Business

One hundred fifty-seven election ballots have been returned as of noon (compared with 110 when voting was in-person). On a motion from Lesanne, seconded by Billie, the board unanimously ratified the election results, and expressed its thanks to Sue Otto for her management of the election process.

Carolyn announced that the nominating committee has recommended the appointment of Mike Barron to complete Benny Hawkins's term (ending in 2023). The board approved the appointment unanimously on a motion from Ed, seconded by Billie. Mike's term begins immediately, and Carolyn will invite him to attend the June board meeting. (Per the bylaws, as a former President he will be eligible to run again for the board, but will not be eligible to run for President for another 5 years.) The term for newly-elected board members begins July 1; they will also be invited to the June meeting.

Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 2:05 p.m. on a motion from Billie, seconded by Ed.

Next meeting – June 14, 2022 at 1:00 p.m., via Zoom

**UIRA Board of Directors
Executive Session**

**May 31, 2022
Zoom Meeting**

Attending: Deb Cobb, Sam Cochran, Chuck Dayton, Ed Dove, David Fitzgerald, Lesanne Fliehler, Lois Lembke, Pat Mason-Browne, Vicki Seifers, Billie Townsend, Carolyn Wanat

This executive session was called to order at 1:05 p.m.

There was extensive discussion of the **Proposal for the University of Iowa Center for Advancement (UICA) and University of Iowa (UI) to support the University of Iowa Retiree Association (UIRA)**. The current (May 23, 2022) document incorporates revisions resulting from a May 19, 2022 meeting between UIRA officers (Carolyn, Ed, and Sam) and Lauren McLeran, and UICA representatives.

Ed will prepare a draft UIRA response based on today's board discussion (and any subsequent email comments), as well as consultation with past-presidents.

The executive session ended at 2:07 p.m.