

**UNIVERSITY OF IOWA RETIREES ASSOCIATION MINUTES**  
**March 12, 2013**

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

Persons Present: Richard Borchard, Ruth Dawson, Joseph Joynt, Kenneth Kuntz, Nancy Lynch, Nancy Ross, Ken Starck, Richard Walton, Pamela Willard, Nancy Williams.

**Reports from Officers:**

**Secretary**

The Minutes of the February 12, 2013

Starck moved, Dawson seconded motion to accept the Minutes as printed.

Approved unanimously.

**Treasurer**

Treasurer's report as of January 1, 2013

\$3,183.46 Total checking account balance

\$2,533.85 Hills CD account balance – matures 10/2/14

\$1,021.11 Vanguard Money Market

\$13,280.06 Vanguard GNMA @2.09%

\$16,835.02 Total Reserve Funds

Starck moved, Walton seconded motion to accept the report as printed.

Approved unanimously

**President**

Nancy Williams reported that the Nominating Committee has filled the slate of nominees for officers for the coming year.

President-elect Larry Wilson

Treasurer Kris Canfield

Membership Richard Johns

Director at Large Gene Spaziani

**President Elect**

Rick Walton reported that

- the programs this year have gone well although he feels attendance has been somewhat lower than previous years.
- The March 29<sup>th</sup> meeting will be a program on the Higgs boson, the “God” Particle” (and the origin of matter). It will be held at the Coralville Library from 3:30 – 5:00.
- the Annual Business Meeting will be a luncheon scheduled for April 23<sup>rd</sup>, 11:30 – 1:30 at the Holiday Inn.

**Past President**

Ken Kuntz reported that

- he has been studying the Newsletters he’s received from other Big Ten schools. He distributed a page of possible program ideas he found that sounded interesting.
- greeters for the March 29th UIRA Meeting will be Rick Borchard, Naomi Novak, Ruth and Ken Kuntz.
- he has been working to finalize plans for the Annual Picnic in June. It will again be held in Shelter #6 and will be followed by an opportunity to watch a rehearsal of one of the Shakespeare Theater productions.

**Reports from Committees:**

**Newsletter**

- no report

## **FRIC**

Richard Borchard reported that

- the University plans to offer insurance to transgender persons. Details regarding the exact coverage are being worked out.
- he sent an e-mail requesting a meeting regarding how we might reinstate the software reimbursement program for retirees.

## **EFC**

Pam Willard reported that there was continuing discussion at the EFC meeting about the possible merger of EFC and UIRA. Our discussion continues as well.

## **Membership**

Ruth Dawson reported that there have been four new members added since our last Board Meeting.

## **Communications/Promoting UIRA**

Ken Starck reported that

- the photo gallery now contains seven albums...five of which are photos of UIRA events.
- he continues to work out details for initiating an on-line Photo Contest.

## **Wellness**

Nancy Lynch proposed that

- we institute an on-going Program Committee for UIRA with rotating terms of participation by its members.
- that the Healthy Wealthy and Wise planning be incorporated into that programming.

## **New Business:**

Nancy Williams shared an e-mail from Phil Klein suggesting UIRA think about initiating some method to develop "interest groups" among its members. We will pursue the idea at a future meeting.

## **Old Business**

No old business

Meeting adjourned

Next meeting Tuesday, April 9, 2013 at 1:00 PM

Nancy Ross, Secretary