

UIRA Board of Directors Meeting

June 9, 2015 1:00 PM

Attending: Alice Atkinson, Katherine Bjorndal, Kris Canfield, Dick Johns, Jamie Sharp, Ken Starck, Beverly Robalino, Rick Walton, Pam Willard Guests (next year Board members): Michael Barron, Dean Borg, Nancy Hauserman, Lois Lembke

Call to Order- President Ken Starck

Reports from Officers

Secretary

- The May minutes were accepted with a spelling correction.

Treasurer

- Treasurer Report as of April 1, 2015

\$14,885.91	Vanguard GNMA @ 2.20%
\$ 3,002.51	Vanguard Short-Term Investment
\$17,888.42	Total reserve funds

Ken noted that there were unusual expenses this year with the 20th Anniversary. Beverly said that there are 50 checks for membership to be deposited. The report was accepted.

President-Elect Report – Beverly Robalino

Beverly reported that former president Joan Cantor had written thanking the UIRA for the gift and history. We have been contacted by the Visiting Nurse Association for the Flu Clinic. It will be held on October 8 from noon to 4:00 at the Coralville Hills Bank and Trust Co. The benefits of including the fitness testing again were discussed.

President report – Ken Starck

- Incoming Board members (Michael Barron, Dean Borg, Nancy Hauserman and Lois Lembke) were welcomed. Those leaving the Board (Gene Spaziani, Nancy Lynch, Katherine Bjorndal and Rick Walton) were thanked for their service. Several of those leaving the Board have volunteered to serve in non-Board roles.
- Beverly thanked Ken for his work as president and also his efforts, along with Jean Hood and Jennifer Dybicz, in creating the UIRA History.
- Retiring Board members returned their copies of the Operating Handbook.
- President Starck shared a letter of appreciation for food that had been collected at a meeting and given to the Crisis Center Food Bank.
- Pam Willard has volunteered to replace Katherine as an assistant to the membership chair. She will receive checks from members.
- The details of updating authorization for use of the UIRA debit card were discussed.
- Archival documents are due July first. Alice will check with Jean Hood for a list of needed documents.
- Beverly has registered for the Big Ten Retirees Association conference to be held this year at Michigan State University August 14 – 16. Ken noted that the conference is a good source of ideas for our organization.
- Ken has identified a person who may be interested in serving as newsletter editor and will follow up. A discussion dealt with providing an honorarium for the webmaster position. Current webmaster Feather Lacy was praised for her work, especially during the UI's recent move to another web system. An option briefly discussed was to consider employing a commercial firm or student to manage the system.

Past-President (Hospitality) – Rick Walton. The UIRA picnic on June 3 at the Terry Trueblood Event Center was a success with about 75 persons attending. The catering by Hy-Vee worked well and the Board was in agreement that we follow the same format and location for the UIRA picnic next year.

Reports from Committees:

Program committee—Beverly Robalino and Nancy Lynch

The new program committee will meet next week with Nancy Hauserman. It may be possible to schedule Tom Gelman in September. Jamie will send a list of Emeritus Faculty lecture dates. The dates for the Senior College lectures have been set for the fall.

Awards Committee – Pam Willard

The question of where to display the Community and University Award plaques has not been resolved. It was suggested that a photo could be displayed on the UIRA web site.

FRIC – Rick Borchard (absent) No report

Newsletter: Ann Ford (absent) No report

Membership: Katherine Bjorndal and Richard Johns - Eight new members and 9 renewals were added in May, and 1 new member and 69 renewals in June. Dick thanked Katherine for her service as assistant chair.

Ad Hoc Committee on Special Interest Groups: Rick Walton - The three current special interest groups are functioning. Information about the current SIGs and the possibility of starting new ones will be publicized in the fall.

Other reports: Jennifer Dybicz has concluded her internship with UIRA. Discussion was held concerning the value of finding another intern who might help with digitizing membership data or creating another publication.

Old Business: None

New Business: None

Adjourned at 2:30 p.m.

Next meeting: 1 p.m. September 8, 2015 – Room 427, Levitt Center