

**UIRA Board of Directors Meeting  
May 9, 2017 1:00 PM**

**Attending:** Alice Atkinson, Michael Barron, Dean Borg, Kris Canfield, Charles Dayton, Nancy Hauserman, Lois Lembke, Beverly Robalino, Richard Saunders, Jamie Sharp, Pam Willard  
Guest: Diane Martin and Sue Otto

**Call to Order- President Nancy Hauserman**

**Reports from Officers**

**Secretary –Alice Atkinson**

- The April minutes were accepted with the addition of information from the membership chair; Dean moved and Beverly seconded the motion and it was approved unanimously.

**Treasurer-Kris Canfield**

Treasurer Report as of April 1, 2017

\$ 9,011.14	Vanguard GNMA @ 2.20%
\$ 3,125.99	Vanguard Short-Term Investment
\$12,137.13	Total reserve funds

The financial report was unanimously accepted pending audit; Dean moved and Beverly seconded the motion. Kris reported that that the deficit of \$711.87 from the Annual Meeting was similar to other years. Members pay approximately the cost of the meal while the meals for the photo judges, Hills Bank representatives and the scholarship winner and other costs are paid from UIRA funds. The question of whether sales tax was included in the cost was discussed.

**President-Elect Report – Michael Barron**

The final three meetings include a program on May 16 with Dean Downing Thomas, describing the recent award to the University of Iowa for the comprehensive internationalization of UI programs, faculty and student body. The Annual Picnic will be on June 7 and is the responsibility of the current past president. The last meeting will be on June 22 and will include lunch at the Sutliff Bar & Grill and a tractor/hayrack ride to explore the Cedar River Crossing with Johnson County Conservation, Director Larry Gullet. The program is limited to 25 people. Persons desiring to attend will send a check made out to the UIRA for the \$7.50 lunch and Kris will then pay the Bar. A waiting list will be kept. Dean volunteered to handle changes in attendance as Mike will not be able to attend.

**President report – Nancy Hauserman**

- Richard reported on a meeting with Joni Troester (Benefits Office) that was also attended by Mike and Nancy. The University is looking for ways to cut costs. As a result, they will freeze the amount the University contributes in 2018 to the health insurance premiums for retired employees who are over 60 and have 10 years of service. No information is yet available for premium amounts for next year. The Benefits office will hold small group and individual sessions to help individuals understand their health insurance options. The UIRA will continue the annual benefits meetings in addition to the Benefits Office small group and individual meetings.

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**Past-President (Hospitality) – Beverly Robalino**

Beverly reported that she has contacted Hy Vee for the main dish (chicken and vegetarian lasagna.) Members will be asked to bring salad or desserts. Board members were asked to come early and help set up tables. We currently have \$51,970 in the UIRA Scholarship fund.

## **Reports from Committees**

### **Program committee—Michael Barron**

- Mike brought printed copies of the budget.

### **Newsletter: Linda Muston (absent)**

Copy for the June Gray Hawk newsletter should be sent to her by May 16.

### **Membership: Lois Lembke –**

Current membership is 676 members. A message and membership form were sent On May 1 to the 449 members whose membership is expiring June 30. So far there have been 160 renewals with \$2,125. There was discussion of a second web site that is out of date. The board voiced congratulations on the improved efficiency of the membership process.

### **FRIC – Richard Saunders**

- The FRIC committee has confirmed their previously discussed suggested changes for the University health insurance. This is their last meeting until September.

### **Awards Committee – Pam Willard**

- Pam met with her committee to discuss ways to increase the number of nominations including streamlining the nomination process, including a hot link in the newsletter article and more advertising. The two current awardees have given their \$100 award to Table to Table and The Iowa Center for Public Affairs Journalism. Kris has sent checks.

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### **Old Business:**

### **New Business:**

**Adjourn:** The meeting was adjourned at 2:10 p.m.

**Next meeting:** 1 p.m. June 13, 2017– Room 427, Levitt Center