

STATE UNIVERSITIES ANNUITANTS ASSOCIATION
UIUC Chapter Executive Committee
Clark-Lindsey Board Room
<http://www.suaa-ui.org>
Minutes for March 13, 2013

Attending: Mary Beastall, Gerald Brighton, Tom Conry, Gary Engelgau, Barb Hartman, Athalia Hunt, Jane Loeb, Mark Netter, Terri Palumbo, Steve Rugg, Terry Ruprecht, Rick Schoell, Phyllis VanLandingham, Ginny Waaler, Ron Webbink, Bill Williamson

I. President's Report

- A. Call to Order by President Tom Conry
- B. Approval of the minutes for February 13, 2013.
- C. Review of schedule of meetings for rest of year:
 - (1) Meetings of Executive Committee: April 10, May 8, June 12
 - (2) Spring General Meeting, April 7, 2013, I-Hotel
 - (3) Survivors' Assistance Workshop, April 12
 - (4) Meeting of SUAA State Directors, June 18, 19
 - (5) Big Ten Retirees Association Meeting, Univ. of Michigan, August 9-11, 2013
- D. President's Report: An op-ed article on the state pension shortfall - to appear in selected newspapers - is in progress. Motion passed approving Conry signing as Professor Emeritus and President of SUAA- UIUC Chapter

II. Treasurer's Report: Gerald Brighton

- Receipts for the February reporting period were \$2; disbursements \$21
- Fund balances on February 28 were \$92,577 (\$50,549 CDs + \$42,028 checking)
- Treasurer's report for February, 2013 was accepted

III. Action Items

- A. Campus Day of Service
 - was communicated to retirees in our spring newsletter.
- B. UIUC Retirement Planning Workshop, March 2, I-Hotel
 - At future workshops, our Chapter will provide a letter encouraging membership in SUAA.

IV. Reporting Items

- A. Membership: Barb Hartman reported that at the end of February the membership was 2027, down 9 from Jan 31. Nine members passed away, two dropped, and two joined.
- B. Legislative Committee/Political Action: Rugg, Satterthwaite, Schoell
 - Of the myriad of pension related bills, SB1 appears to be the leader, but it will get amendments to its present form.

The new AFSCME contract will likely change health insurance payments. The Joint Committee on Administrative Rules (JCAR) must approve the new contract and the CMS health insurance rates.

- C. Communications Committee: Engelgau, Loeb, Rockwood. Many members still have no listed email, which means they do not receive Mini-Briefings. State SUAA should consider sending out a periodic hard copy newsletter relating accomplishments and offering pension updates.
- D. Spring Meeting: Waaler & Rugg; Naomi Jacobson, Mike Frerichs, and Chapin Rose have confirmed their attendance. The meeting will open with the panel discussion and close with the business meeting. Panelists will be asked to make a 2 to 5 minute opening statement, then it will be opened for questions from the floor.
- E. Newsletter: Loeb, Engelgau
- F. Benefits Committee: Beastall, Williamson
Survivors' Assistance Workshop – see item III B

V. New Business

Discussion of the call for a special meeting of the Founders' Caucus

VI. Adjournment and Next Meeting

Meeting adjourned at 3:40 p.m. Next meeting will be Wednesday, April 10, 2013 at 1:30 p.m. in the Clark-Lindsey Board Room.