

**STATE UNIVERSITIES ANNUITANTS ASSOCIATION**  
**UIUC Chapter Executive Committee**  
**Clark-Lindsey, Simon Dining Room**  
**<http://www.suaa-ui.org>**  
**Minutes for August 10, 2016**

**Attending:** Mary Beastall, Barbara Hartman, Kathleen Holden, Terry Ruprecht, Agnes Sanmiguel, Helen Satterthwaite, Susan Trippiedi, H. F. Williamson

**I. Call to Order:** Hartman called the meeting to order at 1:35 p.m. and asked for introductions.

**II. Approval of minutes for June 8, 2016.** A motion to approve the minutes was moved, seconded and passed.

**III. Review of Schedule of Meetings**

**A. Executive Committee:** The meetings for the fall will be September 14, October 12, November 9, and December 14.

**B. Fall Chapter Meeting:** October 9 at the I Hotel.

**C. 2016 Employee Expo:** Sanmiguel will let Hartman know of the date (last year it was in the third week of October).

**IV. President's Report.** Hartman reported her experience at the Big 10 Retirees Conference held at the University of Nebraska. It was interesting to learn of the differences among the members of group in such areas as (a) whether current employees are members; (b) whether they are provided with mailing information on the retirees; (c) the activities sponsored by the organization such as trips and social events; and (d) whether or not they receive financial support from the campus. She indicated that it was time to start the planning for the 2019 Conference which we will host (see item VI, C).

**V. Treasurer's Report:** Hartman presented the report on activity for June, 2016 and the year to date. The principal receipt was the dues collected in May. The principal disbursements were for attendance at the State Directors meeting in June and the new table drape. Webbink had reported that the CD at Busey Bank had been redeemed and the funds deposited in the checking account at First Federal. He has proposed that when CD interest rates have risen sufficiently, we invest \$37,500 of the funds currently in our checking account in a set of staggered CDs at \$12,500 each. If adopted, there would still be around \$40,000 in the checking account to cover regular expenditures. A motion supporting this proposal was made, seconded, and passed unanimously.

*NOTE: When purchasing anything where an invoice is sent to the UIUC-SUAA Chapter, please have it sent to Ron Webbink at his office address: (Dept. of Astronomy), 1002 W Green, M/C 221, Urbana, IL 61801-3074.*

**VI. Action/Discussion Items**

**A. Updating Web Site (<http://www.suaa-ui.org>).** Hartman asked that each member review the web site periodically and let her know of any suggestions for revisions. She will then work with Rich to have these implemented.

**B. Review of 2016-2017 Leadership Roster.** Hartman and Williamson asked that anyone noting an error in the roster inform Williamson.

**C. Planning for the 2019 Big 10 Retirees Association Conference.** Hartman noted the importance of getting an early start. Williamson reported that we had three or four members of the Executive Committee attend the Conferences at Purdue (2006) and Penn State (2007) leading up to our hosting it in 2008. Hartman noted we will need to have a date chosen well before the 2018

conference at Penn State at which our plans should be announced. Hartman and Holden will arrange for an organizational meeting to start the planning. Williamson and Beastall will prepare a packet of the material from 2008 as background.

## **VII. Reporting Items**

**A. Membership.** There was a net loss in July of 14 members as we went from a total of 2010 to 1996. The loss of 19 was from 12 who died, six non-renewals by check, and one removal from dues deduct. The gain of five was from three by check and two by dues deduct. There was discussion of how we might gain new members particularly if there are new pension bills after the November election. It was noted as more active employees become members on dues deduct, we need to be sure they continue after they retire and dues deduct ends. Ruprecht suggested a note in the Annuitant about this situation.

**B. Legislative Committee.** Satterthwaite agreed with others that any actions taken on issues such as pension reform will not occur until after the November election.

**C. Communications.** Hartman reminded the group that the deadline for the articles in the Annuitant is August 13. She and Holden discussed what might be included as a report on the spring meeting presentation by President Killeen.

**D. Benefits.** Beastall reported on the information she has collected for the article to appear in the Annuitant. Ruprecht led a discussion of the problems facing out-of-state annuitants on Cigna. In particular, providers frustrated by payment delays are requiring payments upfront from the patients.

**E. Fall Meeting.** Trippiedi reported on the room set up and asked for suggestions on refreshments. Holden summarized her communications with Brookhart concerning Linda's presentation.

**G. State Directors Meeting.** It was agreed that the meeting had gone well.

**VIII. Adjournment and Next Meeting** The meeting adjourned at 3:00 p.m. The next meeting will be Wednesday, September 14, at 1:30 p.m. in the Clark-Lindsey Simon Dining Room. The meeting adjourned at about 1:20 p.m.

Prepared by H. Williamson,  
Acting Secretary