

STATE UNIVERSITIES ANNUITANTS ASSOCIATION
UIUC Chapter Executive Committee
Clark-Lindsey, Simon Dining Room
<http://www.suaa-ui.org>
Minutes for November 9, 2016

Attending: Bill Adams, Pam Cler, Barbara Hartman, Kathleen Holden, Jane Loeb, Terri Palumbo, Terry Ruprecht, Helen Satterthwaite, Rick Schoell, Ron Webbink, H. F. Williamson

I. Call to Order: Hartman called the meeting to order at 1:33 p.m.

II. Approval of minutes for October 12, 2016. Approval was moved and seconded (Webbink, Ruprecht), and passed.

III. Review of Schedule of Meetings

- A. Executive Committee: The meetings for the year will be December 14, January 11, February 8, March 8, April 12, May 10, and June 14.
- B. First Meeting to Plan 2019 Big 10 Retirees Conference: November 14, 10-11:30 at Human Resources.
- C. Fall State Directors Meeting: November 21, Illinois State Alumnae Center.

IV. President's Report: President Hartman reviewed the upcoming meetings, noting that the Big 10 planning group was open to all but she especially hoped for participation of members who have attended Big 10 Retiree Conferences in the past. She reminded the EC that Terri Palumbo is retiring at the end of November and moving to Missouri. She and others thanked Terri Palumbo for her years of service to SUAA and noted she will be hard to replace. Hartman also reminded the group that both she and Terry Ruprecht will be gone in January. Hartman reviewed and confirmed which EC members would be attending the November 21 Directors Meeting during Thanksgiving week. In discussion it was noted that passing a budget for the organization would likely engender lively discussion, and that Bob Rich may be on the agenda.

V. Treasurer's Report: Treasurer Webbink presented the report on activity for October, 2016 and the year to date, with several minor corrections, i.e., monthly activity was for October and total disbursements totaled \$257. He pointed out that the report does not reflect redemption of a CD and purchase of an 11 month CD at 1%. A motion accepting the report was made and seconded (Ruprecht, Palumbo), and passed unanimously. Webbink also requested another co-signer, preferably one who lives near him to facilitate the process. Volunteers from the EC did not live in the right area; Rick Schoell, currently active but not an EC member, offered to fill this role and was gratefully conscripted to do so.

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>):** Ruprecht reported making progress on website revisions, including the identification and deletion of material that requires changing every month (e.g., replacing dates of upcoming EC meetings with the fact that meetings are held every second Wednesday). Gary Engelgau is no longer handling the chapter's email; Barb Hartman is currently handling it. It was noted that in the future, Holden would assure the website announces the date, time and speaker for chapter meetings. This has not been done in the past.

B. UIUC Employee Expo: Hartman and others in attendance agreed it continues to seem worth our being present even though it's likely that only a few new memberships result from it.

C. Identification of Candidates to fill Palumbo vacancy: Terri Palumbo suggested several possible current employees to serve on the EC. In the ensuing discussion, the order in which they would be approached about possible service was agreed to, and Adams and Ruprecht agreed to follow up.

VII. Reporting Items

A. Membership. Terri Palumbo reported a net increase of 3 members, from 1987 to 1990, during October. Changes included 11 new or rejoined members and 8 dropped memberships, of which 4 were due to death.

B. Legislative Committee. Schoell noted that the transportation tax amendment to the state's constitution had passed. Rugg reported that the UI budget compact bill would be filed soon. This would attempt to provide stable funding for the UI in return for the university holding down tuition and meeting certain other benchmarks. He also noted that all local state legislators were reelected and that he would work with Winkel to set up meetings with each. He also suggested that we need soon to discuss with Tom Conry the state organization's goals and plans for working with the new legislature.

C. Communications. Pam Cler indicated that she has worked out a tentative production schedule for the Spring newsletter, depending on the date selected for the Spring chapter meeting.

D. Benefits: Hartman noted that some of new drug co-pays under TRAIL are higher, and some need prior approval. Ruprecht reported that his dentist's office was able to provide a very helpful print out of the sums Delta Dental records as due to him.

E. Program committee: Dates and speakers for the Spring meeting were discussed.

F. State SUAA News: In Conry's absence there was no report.

VIII. New Business: none

IX. Adjournment and Next Meeting The meeting adjourned at 2:23 p.m. The next meeting will be Wednesday, December 14, at 1:30 p.m. in the Clark-Lindsey Simon Dining Room.