

STATE UNIVERSITIES ANNUITANTS ASSOCIATION
UIUC Chapter Executive Committee
Clark-Lindsey, Simon Dining Room
<http://www.suaa-ui.org>
Minutes for June 14, 2017

Attending: William Adams, Pam Cler, Barbara Hartman, Kathy Kral, Penny Nigh, Robert Rich, Agnes San Miguel, Helen Satterthwaite, Rick Schoell, Sue Trippiedi, H. F. Williamson

I. Call to Order and Introductions: Hartman called the meeting to order at 1:30 p.m. She asked those present to introduce themselves.

II. Approval of minutes for May 10, 2017. Approval was moved and seconded and passed.

III. Review of Schedule of Meetings

- A. Executive Committee: There is no meeting in July. The meetings for the fall semester are: August 9, September 13, October 11, November 8, and December 13
- B. SUAA Annual Meeting, President Abraham Lincoln Hotel, Springfield, June 20 & 21.
- C. Big 10 Retirees Association Conference at Purdue, August 25-27.

IV. President's Report. Hartman expressed her appreciation to Terry Ruprecht, Vice President, and Jane Loeb, Secretary, for their work as Chapter officers this year.

V. Treasurer's Report: Trippiedi presented Webbink's report on activity from January 1 through May 31, 2017 with one correction: dues collected in March were \$1606 rather than \$1030. Acceptance of the report was moved, seconded, and passed.

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. **Directors for Annual Meeting in Springfield.** Those expecting to attend are Conry, Hartman, Rich, and Williamson. Hartman will inform the State Office that they are Directors for the Chapter.
- B. **Report of Nominating Committee & Election of Officers for 2017-2018.** Rich reported that the slate nominated for 2017-2019 is: President: Richard Winkel; Vice President: William Adams; and Secretary: H. F. Williamson. A motion to approve the slate was passed unanimously.
- C. **Attendees at 2017 Big 10 Retirees Conference at Purdue.** It was uncertain who would be able attend in addition to Hartman. The information about the meeting will be sent again to the Committee. Williamson noted that we will have two general tasks. One is to use the experience to help us prepare for hosting in 2019. The other is to prepare the report requested for the session on sharing "Best Practices and Ideas for Operating a Successful Retiree Association."

VII. Reporting Items

- A. **Membership.** Nigh reported that there was no information available on membership this month. The new State web site is still being set up.
- B. **Legislative Committee.** Rich, Schoell, and Satterthwaite led the discussion about how badly things are going. Rich noted the significant involvement of the courts in the process particularly with regard to which employees must be paid. Satterthwaite noted the devastating effect the budget crisis has had on so many human services organizations. One certainty is that the 2018 campaign for Governor is already underway and will be even more expensive than the last one.

C. Communications. Cler reported that her call for papers and the accompanying time line for the fall Annuitant will be sent between July 22 and August 19 depending on the date of the fall members meeting.

D. Program. We plan to invite the SURS Executive Director, Martin Noven, to be the principal speaker at the fall meeting. We will also consider inviting a panel of legislators. The feasible dates for the meeting (weekends without Saturday home football games) are October 1, 8, and 22. The program committee will work with Winkel to prepare the invitation to Noven.

E. Planning for the 2019 Big 10 Retirees Conference at UIUC. Kral noted that she and her co-chair, Steve Rugg, did not have a report for this meeting.

VIII. New Business: Williamson made a motion of appreciation to Barbara Hartman for her service as President for the past two years. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

IX. Adjournment and Next Meeting. The meeting adjourned at about 2:10 p.m. The next meeting will be Wednesday, August 9, 2017 at 1:30 p.m. in the Clark-Lindsey Simon Dining Room.

Prepared by H. Williamson, Interim Secretary