

STATE UNIVERSITIES ANNUITANTS ASSOCIATION
UIUC Chapter Executive Committee
Clark-Lindsey Simon Dining Room
Draft Minutes for May 9, 2018
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Attending: Pam Cler, Tanya Glallagher, Barbara Hartman, Kathleen Holden, Wynn Sandy Korr, Katherine Kral, Carol Livingstone, Penny Nigh, Steve Rugg, Helen Satterthwaite, Rick Schoell, Ron Webbink, H. F. Williamson, Rick Winkel,

I. Call to Order: Winkel called the meeting to order at about 1:33 p.m. and asked those attending to introduce themselves. He welcomed the two newly elected members of the Executive Committee who were attending.

II. Approval of minutes for April 11, 2018: A motion to approve the minutes as amended was made, seconded, and passed unanimously.

III. Review of Meeting Schedule. Winkel reviewed the schedule for the rest of the calendar year.

- A. Executive Committee Meeting for Spring, 2018: June 13
- B. SUAA Annual State Meeting: Thursday, June 21, 2018 - Friday, June 22, 2018
- C. 2018 Big 10 Retirees Conference: August 3-5, 2018 (Penn State)
- D. Executive Committee Meetings, Fall, 2018: August 8, September 12, October 10, November 14, and December 12.
- E. Retirement Planning Conference: September 29, 2018
- F. 2019 Big 10 Retirees Conference: August 2-4, 2019 (UIUC)

IV. President's Report. Winkel thanked the members of the Pension Working Group (PWG) for their continuing efforts. They contacted former Chancellor Bob Easter in early May and hope to hear back through Bill Adams. He announced that Rich and Williamson had been chosen as the Nominating Committee. They plan to report back at the June meeting.

V. Treasurer's Report. Webbink presented the Treasurer's report for activity in April, 2018 and the year to date. For the month, there was an increase of \$280 in the checking account. The principal disbursements were for the Chapter meeting and the Newsletter. A motion to accept the report was made, seconded, and approved.

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

VI. Action/Discussion Items

A. Review of Spring Chapter Meeting. There was agreement that the meeting had gone well with the dynamic presentation by Professor Rogers and the excellent panel discussion.

B. Selection of Directors for SUAA Annual Meeting in Springfield. Winkel did an informal check on who might be going. He plans to determine the final list at the June 9 meeting so he can submit the names to the State Office.

C. Planning on UIUC Activities at 2018 Big 10 Retirees Conference at Penn State. There was a continuing discussion of who would be able to attend the meeting and what we would need to prepare for our 2019 Conference as part of the material presented at Penn State.

D. Planning for 2019 Big 10 Retirees Conference at UIUC. Rugg and Kral continued the discussion of what the topics might be (e.g., Healthy Aging with a speaker such as Professor Rogers and Financial Planning with a speaker such as Jeff Brown.) Other topics under consideration include whether speakers will be remunerated and who might provide the entertainment such as Nathan and Julie Gunn.

VII. Reporting Items

A. Membership: Nigh's reported that our membership fell from 1869 to 1863 during April as we added six members and dropped 12 as a result of three deaths and nine lapsed.

B. Legislative Committee. The legislature will start working "in earnest" this month. Higher education has been in the focus but principally because of how bad the situation is. As one individual testified, higher education has been asked to do way too much with way to little.

C. Communications Committee/Newsletter. The discussion began about possible dates for the fall Chapter meeting so that Cler could provide a schedule of the Newsletter activities. It was noted that the only home football game in October is on October 13 so possible meeting dates could be Sunday, October 21 and Sunday October 28.

D. Report on Status of Chapter Web Site: Livingstone reported briefly on the site and reminded everyone to continue providing suggestions. She also reminded everyone to about the Facebook page.

E. Benefits Committee: Williamson discussed briefly the topics covered at the most recent Senate FB Committee. They included the announcement that SURS plans to reduce the long-term assured rate of return from 7.25% to 6.75% to take effect July 2, 2019.

IX. Adjournment and Next Meeting. The meeting adjourned at about 2:40 p.m. The next regularly scheduled meeting will be Wednesday, June 13, 2018 at 1:30 p.m. in the Clark-Lindsey Simon Dining Room

Prepared by H. F. Williamson, Secretary