

**UIUC Chapter Executive Committee**  
**Clark-Lindsey Simon Dining Room**  
**Minutes for October 10, 2018**  
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Attending: William Adams, Mary Beastall, Pam Cler, Penny Nigh, Helen Satterthwaite, Susan Trippiedi, Ron Webbink, Rick Winkel, Katharine Kral, Rick Schoell

**I. Call to Order:** Winkel called the meeting to order at about 1:35 p.m.

**II. Approval of minutes for September 12, 2018:** Motion was delayed until the November meeting.

**III. Review of Meeting Schedule.** Winkel reviewed the schedule and noted that there are no changes.

- A. Executive Committee Meetings, Fall, 2018: November 14, and December 12.
- B. 2018 All Employee Expo (Illini Union Rooms A, B, C): October 18, 2018
- C. Fall Chapter Meeting: October 28, 2018
- D. Fall State Directors Meeting: October 30, 2018
- E. Spring Chapter Meeting: date to be determined
- F. 2019 Annual State Directors Meeting: June 27-28, 2019
- G. 2019 Big 10 Retirees Conference: August 2-4, 2019 (UIUC)

**IV. President's Report:**

- A. Winkel met with the Retirement Planning Committee on 09/29 and noted that it went well and we may receive a few more members from the meeting.
- B. Winkel spoke at the Council of Councils (CoC) meeting on 10/05 about guiding principles, successes, being virulent when it comes to retirement benefits. There were two groups of people in attendance, one has potential benefits for attending the retirement conference and the other agrees that focus should be on current employees since they have the most to risk.

**V. Treasurer's Report.** Webbink presented the Treasurer's for activity in September 2018. For the month of September, there was a decrease of \$42 in the checking account. The only disbursements were for meetings and the Retirement Planning Conference. Winkel requested that Nigh provide her signature as witness to his signature at the bank as back-up on CD's. A motion to accept the report was made by Adams, seconded by Trippiedi, and approved unanimously.

*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. **Planning for Fall Chapter Meeting:** October 28 is the confirmed date with a reception from 1:30-2 and the panel from 2-3:30. There was discussion if this was too much time for a panel session, so Winkel will give a President's report first and ask Stone to give a brief report on health benefits to shorten the panel time. It was suggested to have a flyer similar to SURS with website and contact information, note old white iCard expires 02/01/19, and address concern initiated by CoC: where do membership funds go? Schoell noted Advocacy and Education versus Political meetings. The first being the purpose of SUAA and the latter would happen after the regular meeting was adjourned and those who chose to stay and participate could engage in a political discussion. Schoell has led this dialogue over the past few years and would welcome another member to re-energize the group.
- B. **Fall State Directors Meeting:** Williamson and Winkel plan to attend the October 30 meeting. Anyone interested should let Winkel know.

- C. **Planning for Fall Annuitant:** Annuitant has gone out and should be received by members soon. There has not been a replacement for Cler confirmed yet. Winkel decided to wait until members have had a chance to review the annuitant which calls for volunteers and if no response by next meeting, ask Livingstone if still interested in the vacant position.
- D. **Planning for 2019 Big 10 Retirees Conference at UIUC:** The subcommittee for this conference has met a few times and are making progress. There is a tentative agenda set for a multiple-day conference. There are still more details to pin down though. This committee requests the approval of a proposal from CITL. Adams made the following motion and Webbink seconded.  
*“I move to authorize the 2019 Big Ten Retirees Conference Planning Committee to contract with the Center for Innovation in Teaching and Learning (CITL) for the services listed within items 1-12 of their proposal at the quoted fee of \$1500 plus \$14 per registration.”*  
Discussion: Food and conference location fees are not included in CITL proposal. The Chancellor promised \$2-3K for the event and the chapter budget would need to cover any excess. The President and Treasurer should sign the contract. The committee all approved, included Holden and Livingstone by electronic voting.
- E. **2018 All Employee Expo (Illini Union Rooms A, B, C): October 18, 2018:** Winkel reminded Executive Board that we are looking for volunteers to staff the SUAA table at the upcoming Employee Expo.

## VII. Reporting Items

- A. **Membership:** Nigh reported that our membership fell from 1837 to 1826 during August as we added two new members and dropped 13, five due to deaths.
- B. **Legislative Committee:** Winkel would like to call the ad hoc working group together to discuss upcoming veto sessions: Nov. 13-15 and 27-29 and the election on Nov. 6.
- C. **Newsletter:** Annuitant has gone out and should be received by members soon. It's up on the website already.
- D. **Benefits Committee:** Beastall mentioned that the CMS information didn't show a cut-off date for Medicare again. She will try to contact them for details.
- E. **Program:** No report

## VIII. New Business. None

**IX. Adjournment and Next Meeting.** The meeting adjourned at about 1:40 p.m. The next regularly scheduled meeting will be Wednesday, November 14, 2018 at 1:30 p.m. in the Clark-Lindsey Simon Dining Room.