

STATE UNIVERSITIES ANNUITANTS ASSOCIATION
UIUC Chapter Executive Committee
Minutes for May 12, 2021 Zoom Meeting
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Attending: Marissa Brewer, Melinda Carr, Kathleen Holden, Wynne Korr, Carol Livingstone, John C. Marlin, Ron Webbink, H. F. Williamson, Matthew Wilson

I. Call to Order and Introductions: President Marlin called the meeting to order with a quorum present about 1:32 p.m.

II. Approval of minutes

- A. Final review of minutes for March 10, 2021
- B. April 14, 2021

Both final drafts of minutes for March 10 and April 14 were emailed to the Executive Committee. Two members of the Executive Committee requested revisions which will be included in the final draft and submitted to Livingstone for posting on the website. Williamson motioned, Livingstone seconded, and the motion was carried.

III. Review of meeting schedule:

- A. Executive Committee Meetings, Spring, 2021: June 9, July 14 (TBD)
The Executive Committee will not meet on July 14 unless emergency comes up and then contact the President if needed. Williamson motioned, seconded by Livingstone and the motion was carried.
- B. SUAA Annual Meeting: June 17-18, 2021
Our list of delegates will be finalized. (see 6C)
- C. Executive Committee Meetings, Fall, 2021: August 11, September 8, October 13, November 10, and December 8.
- D. "State" SUAA Fall Meeting: November 17, 2021
Clarify in future agendas to note "State" SUAA to avoid confusion with Chapter meetings.

IV. President's Report: Marlin

The following information was shared:

- The Zoom chapter meeting was informative but there was low attendance including some members from out of state. Our speaker Barbara Wilson (executive vice president and vice president for academic affairs with the U of I System) has accepted a new position as president of the University of Iowa.
- The June State SUAA meeting is coming up and delegates will be needed.
- A note to remind nonmembers that it is important to become involved as legislatures may look further at our pensions particularly with 401K and IRA programs.

V. Treasurer's Report: Webbink

Webbink provided the report covering activities from January 1, 2021 through April 30, 2021. Updates included the CD at Midland Bank matured this month and will renew for another year.

NOTE: When purchasing anything where an invoice is sent to the UIUC-SUAA Chapter, please send to Ron Webbink's home: 3407 Mill Creek Ct. Unit 4, Champaign, IL 61822

VI. Action/Discussion Items

- A. Report on Spring Chapter Meeting
The meeting was informative and there was time before and after to chat with members.
- B. Nominating Committee for 2021-2022 Officers
The Nominating Committee (including Williamson, Livingstone, and Korr) will be ready to make a report at the June meeting.

C. Planning for Annual State House of Delegates Meeting

The deadline to certify delegates is May 27. Our chapter membership is more than 1600, and we can have six voting delegates. Vice President Conry will already be present because he is Vice President of State SUAA.

Last spring, both new Executive Committee members attended. Members who have confirmed their participation for the June meeting include Carr, Marlin, Williamson and Wilson. The Treasurer will review last year's records to see if a chapter check can be sent for delegates to cover the registration fee.

VII. Reporting Items

A. Membership: Carr, Hartman, Williamson

The membership report for May will be provided at the next meeting once the State office has posted the latest chapter information.

B. Legislative Committee: Adams, Conry, Korr, Rich, Rugg, Schoell, Winkel

There was general discussion regarding end of legislative session, issues related to Tier I and Tier II employee benefits and personal investments, and reference to a News-Gazette article on a Wirepoints group that is rating pensions and should be monitored.

C. Communications Committee/Newsletter/Website: Brewer, Francis, Kempfues, Livingstone

A video from the last meeting will be posted on the website. The chapter leadership email has been rejecting messages to some individuals. If anyone gets error messages in the future, forward the message to Livingstone.

In addition, the U of I sent a message to employees noting they will no longer be able to forward their Illinois.edu email, effective July 2021. This will impact individuals who are still on payroll and who are actively using their email address.

D. Benefits Committee: Beastall, Stone, Williamson

No report at this time.

E. Program: Holden, Miller

Holden reported that the meeting went well. She has inquired about rolling over the I Hotel room deposit until next fall which is approximately \$300. The committee will refer to the CDC guidelines as the UI is doing to determine whether they will meet in person or not.

A suggestion for future Zoom chapter meetings where an election is held is to have someone monitor email as was done at the state SUAA election. This will provide another option when someone is unable to unmute themselves or when there may be technical difficulties.

VIII. New Business

A. Long Range Planning

A delegate is needed to serve as liaison for the Big 10 group. The group is continuing to have workshops by Zoom.

B. Status of Campus Office

A smaller space needs to be requested in the stock pavilion. Williamson will follow up with Adams to work with UI personnel who can help with this request.

IX. Adjournment and Next Meeting

There was a discussion about the possibility of meeting in person, but groups are not being allowed in at this time. Restrictions are currently in place for those who are not vaccinated. A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Williamson, seconded by Holden and approved unanimously at 2:17 p.m. Next scheduled meeting will be Wednesday, June 9, 2021 at 1:30 p.m.