

**BGSURA BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
MINUTES**

April 25, 2007
College Park 2, BGSU

PRESENT: Roger Anderson, Pete Badia, Tom Bennett, Clif Boutelle, Dick Edwards, Jim Gordon, Joan Gordon, Ted Groat, Harold Lunde, Chuck McCaghy, Becky McOmber, Jane Schimpf, Chris Sexton, Genevieve Stang

ABSENT: Don Bright, Betsy Clark, Harry Hoemann, Park Leathers

President Anderson called the meeting to order at 1:37 p.m. He expressed condolences to Hal Lunde on the passing of his wife, Sarah. Chuck McCaghy was thanked for his work on expressing the condolences of the Board to families of retirees who have passed away.

MINUTES OF THE FEBRUARY 21, 2007, MEETING

Dick Edwards moved to approve the minutes as distributed. The motion was seconded and approved.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Treasurer Lunde presented the financial report. As of March 31, 2007, income is \$16,272.32 with expenses of \$5,719.51, leaving a balance of \$10,552.81. Report on file with these minutes. Treasurer Lunde noted that the receipts were boosted by the addition of more Life Members since the last report.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

- **ACTIVITIES**—Toledo retirees would like to collaborate on some trips. They request two sets of labels to notify our members of such trips. The consensus was to send the labels.
- **BYLAWS**—No report.
- **MEMBERSHIP**—BGSURA now has 54 life members.
- **NEWSLETTER**—Jim Gordon, editor, said the May issue is printed. He noted several articles on pension funds currently being published in the media.
- **NOMINATING**—Edwards reported that the candidates for officers and director positions are Betsy Clark for vice president; Hal Lunde for treasurer; Pietro Badia, Don Bright, Becky McOmber, Jane Schimpf, Christine Sexton (incumbents), and Elmer Spreitzer for directors. Ballots are in the May newsletter and need to be returned by May 31. The issue of officers, specifically the president, serving for six years was raised because it is difficult to get members to commit to anything much longer than a year. Dick Edwards said he would like to see it limited to one year. President Anderson will ask the Bylaws Committee to research and recommend changes. Genevieve Stang moved to approve the slate of candidates. The motion was seconded and approved. A retiree representative to Faculty Senate is needed as Ramona Cormier no longer wishes to serve.
- **OCHER**—Stang reported that we need to write to our legislators on two bills: HB 152 (allows school boards to establish alternative retirement plans), and HB 151 (prohibits investing in companies that do business in Iran).
- **OFFICE STAFFING**—McOmber thanked all the volunteers who had helped staff the office during the past year.

• **OFFICE OPERATION**—Sexton noted that they could not get labels out of the printer in the office. The correct drivers need to be loaded. Anderson will contact Information Technology Services and Charley Applebaum to fix the problem.

• **PROFESSIONAL**—Badia reported that changes for the Retirees Handbook were presented to the Professional Committee and were approved there. Evidently, Human Resources is not printing the Retirees Handbook any more. It was not known if new retirees had received a copy. Edwards asked how the office in College Park for retirees was going. Two retirees who use it have expressed their appreciation for the space.

• **PROGRAM**—Groat reported that the May program is all set. Programs for 2007-2008 have also been scheduled. They include:

September 19, 2007, Fall Convocation, Thompson-Bowen Union, Speaker: Gene Poor, Entrepreneurial Center.

November 14, 2007, Jack Ritchey, Phoenix Technologies, or Eric Honneffer, Center for Archival Collections

January 16, 2008, Program from the College of Musical Arts.

March 12, 2008, Joint meeting with the Wood County Retired Teachers Association.

April 16, 2008, Host for joint meeting with the University of Toledo Retirees, Union.

Speaker, Dr. S. Amjad Hussain, retired Toledo surgeon and Blade columnist.

May 14, 2008, Eric Honneffer, CAC, or Jack Ritchey, Phoenix Technologies.

• **ADMINISTRATIVE COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVE**—No report.

• **CLASSIFIED STAFF COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVE**—No report.

• **COMMITTEE ON PROFESSIONAL AFFAIRS REPRESENTATIVE**—Bill Rock, BGSURA representative, sent two reports to President Anderson which were distributed to Board members. Topics centered on higher education and the state budget and a questionnaire to students regarding textbook costs.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

• There was no unfinished business.

NEW BUSINESS

• **HIGHER EDUCATION BUDGET**—Governor Strickland seems to be more interested in (supportive) of high education. President Anderson encouraged Board members to write to legislators and the Governor indicating their support for the Governor's budget.

• **RECOGNITION**—President Anderson expressed his appreciation to Board members for their support during his six years as president. He also thanked Dick Edward, who is retiring from the Board, for his service to BGSURA. The Board then rose with an ovation in appreciation for President Anderson and his dedicated service to the organization for so many years.

NEXT MEETING

July 18 has been tentatively scheduled for the next Board meeting.

THE MEETING was adjourned at 2:45 p.m.

JOAN H. GORDON, Secretary