

BGSURA Board of Directors Meeting
October 11, 2017 – 1:30 p. m.
College Park Office Building, Room 2

MEMBERS PRESENT: Barbara Keller, Jan Peterson, Chris Sexton, Judy Donald, Ellen Dalton, Charlie Applebaum, Leo Navin, Barbara Moses, Linda Treeger, Ellen Williams, Bonnie Woods, Rebecca Ferguson, Joan Morgan, Marge Miller, Terry Carver, Tom Hern, Lynette Rosebrook, Jim Corbitt.

MEMBERS ABSENT: Roger Anderson, Jan Finn, Paul Lopez, Carol Lininger, Karel King.

The meeting of the BGSU Retirees Association was called to order at 1:30 p.m. by President Chris Sexton.

MINUTES: There being no corrections or additions to the minutes, they were approved by acclamation.

TREASURER'S REPORT: The Treasurer's report, distributed as a hand-out from Tom Hern, showed a beginning balance of \$10,177.15 as of as of July 1, 2017; revenue of \$3,563.00; disbursements of \$1,964.27; for a balance of \$9,498.09 as of October 8, 2017.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT: Chris Sexton reported that approximately 50 first class postage stamps were missing and presumed stolen from the locked BGSURA office. She related that Paul Lopez had filed a theft report with the Campus Police. Members accessing the office should be sure the door is locked before they leave.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

ACTIVITIES: No Report.

BENEVOLENCE: No Report.

BYLAWS: No Report. A copy of the revisions to the Bylaws was distributed.

DATABASE ADMINISTRATION: Chris Sexton reported for Paul Lopez that the database is up-to-date.

MEMBERSHIP: Jim Corbitt distributed a hand-out comparing current and past membership numbers. He suggested that perhaps articles highlighting the accomplishments, interests, travels, etc. of some of our members would stimulate more interest in joining BGSURA. The discussion lead to a suggestion that this would be something the Publicity Committee would want to consider.

“A Yearly Operating Plan – Membership Committee” hand-out was distributed and it was suggested by Ellen Williams that this be used as a template for Committee Chairs and Officers when compiling the information for their Operational Handbook,

NEWSLETTER: Ellen Dalton reported that the Newsletter was distributed and that extra copies would be available at the Luncheon.

WEB DEVELOPER: We were reminded to get information for the Website to Carol Lininger

NOMINATING: No Report.

OFFICE MANAGEMENT: Chris Sexton reported that she and Jan Peterson are continuing to go in the office and respond to the email, voicemail and snail mail. This reduced schedule seems to be working well.

PROGRAMS: Barbara Moses announced the tentative schedule of programs for the 2018-19 year are; 9/10/18 -Dick Edwards speaking on “The State of the City”; 11/12/18-TBA (a musical presentation); 3/11/19-NIOT Not In Our Town; and 5/13/19-Montana Miller speaking on “Social Media and It’s Effect on Society”.

PUBLICITY: Barbara Keller reported that articles have been appearing in the Sentinel-Tribune. If you want information to appear in the paper, please get it to her ASAP or a minimum of three days in advance of when you want it to appear.

OCHER: Report by Roger Anderson of the September 26, 2017 meeting was previously distributed. A statement of The Ohio Council of Higher Education Retirees position on POP5 was distributed. OCHER does not endorse POP5 for the reasons enumerated. A decision by OPERS on changes to Cost of Living Adjustments is forth coming. Check the OPERS Newsletter.

FACULTY SENATE: Ellen Williams reported that 51 new faculty were hired for this year. The retention rate for undergraduate students was 77% and the graduation rate for undergraduates was 76%. The University will have a new major degree program in Architecture and Construction Management in Building Environment.

ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF COUNCIL: Judy Donald reported that shutting down the facilities during intersession doesn’t save money in the long term.

CLASSIFIED STAFF COUNCIL: Terry Carver reported that the representative of the Ohio Staff Council of Higher Education, Bob Kreinenkamp, will meet with new hires. Council President, Faith Olsen was recently married and is now known as Faith Olsen-Elsea. A 2% pay increase will be awarded to those individuals eligible to receive increases beginning in September. A campus tailgating party will be held October 21st during the Northern Illinois football game.

OLD BUSINESS: It was reported that 26 people attended the informational session on the tax levy for the Bowling Green City Schools after the Luncheon.

Rebecca Ferguson reported that she had received a thank you note from Book Award recipient Ariel Stahura.

Ellen Williams mentioned that the Baskets were not placed on the tables at the Luncheon.

NEW BUSINESS: The Foundation receipts and payments are handled through the Business Office and the Bursar's Office. The Bursar reports that they did not receive the receipt for a deposit. Rebecca Ferguson said she would look into this and see if she could expedite payments and deposits.

Since our money is handled by the Foundation, we need to do a few more steps to accept credit card payments. We would need to file certificates for each event we want to be paid for with a credit card. It was discussed that we needed more time to resolve the details. It was moved by Rebecca Ferguson and seconded by Barbara Keller to not have a credit card option for the November Luncheon. The motion passed.

GOOD OF THE ORDER: None.

The next meeting of the Board will be January 10th, at 1:30 p.m. in the College Park Office Building, Room 2.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:40 p.m. by President Chris Sexton.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda Treeger
Secretary