

**BGSURA Board of Directors Meeting**  
**October 12, 2016 – 1:30 p. m.**  
**College Park Office Building, Room 2**

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Gaylyn Finn, Jan Finn, Barbara Keller, Jan Peterson, Chris Sexton, Judy Donald, Ellen Dalton, Tina Martini, Charlie Applebaum, Leo Navin, Linda Treeger, Ellen Williams, Bonnie Woods, Rebecca Ferguson, Joan Morgan-Augenstein, Karel King

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** Roger Anderson, Paul Lopez, Carol Lininger, Barbara Moses, Jim Corbitt

The meeting was called to order at 1:30 p.m. by President Chris Sexton.

**MINUTES:**

The previously distributed minutes of the July 12, 2016, meeting were amended to reflect that one absent member was Joan not “Jan” Morgan-Augenstein. Under Bylaws, Barbara Keller was not “annoyed”, but felt it was disrespectful to pronounce the BGSU Retirees Association “bugtura”. Under Newsletter, Ellen Dalton said the correct spelling of the November 14<sup>th</sup> Luncheon speaker’s first name is Lorrie, not “Lori”. Under Good of the Order, Jan Peterson said she had not announced that the history of the BGSU Retirees Association was added to the University Archives.

It was moved by Ellen Williams and seconded by Barbara Keller to approve the amended minutes. The motion passed,

**TREASURER’S REPORT:** Gaylyn Finn reported that as membership declines, resulting fewer dues, there may need to be a budgetary correction in fiscal year 2017. Ellen Williams suggested that the Association may want to consider funding some Faculty/Staff grants should there be any excess monies. The Treasurer’s report, previously distributed, was accepted by acclamation.

**PRESIDENT’S REPORT:** Chris Sexton shared with the Board that Paula Davis, Director of BGSU’s Optimal Aging Institute is eager to speak with Association members about our experiences with wellness in retirement and aging. A special meeting is being held on November 7<sup>th</sup> from 10:00-11:30 am at the Carter House. Chris encourages us to seriously consider attending and participating with feedback on our experiences.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**ACTIVITIES:** No report.

**BENEVOLENCE:** Jan Peterson reported that she is keeping up with condolences and retirements.

**BYLAWS:** Barbara Keller submitted proposed Bylaw changes. Refer to the handout.

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

**MEMBERSHIP:** Chris Sexton reported for Jim Corbitt that the membership numbers have been stable for the last three to five years and that approximately ten percent of the comp memberships go on to join as full members.

**NEWSLETTER:** Ellen Dalton reported that the Newsletter was near completion and ready for distribution. Due to bulk mailing charges it is cheaper to mail 200 pieces than to mail the 170 pieces we currently do.

**WEB DEVELOPER:** Chris Sexton reported for Carol Lininger that the website is up-to-date and we should check it out.

**NOMINATING:** Jan Peterson reported that Terry Carver will be joining the Board as Classified Staff Council Observer as of January 1<sup>st</sup>

**OFFICE MANAGEMENT:** Chris Sexton reported that the Association voice mail and e-mail are checked at least two times per week.

**PROGRAMS:** Ellen Dalton announced the luncheon will be November 14<sup>th</sup> at the BG Country Club featuring speaker Lorrie Lewandowski discussing the Heroin Epidemic in Wood County beginning at 11:30 am.

**OCHER:** Report by Roger Anderson was previously distributed.

**FACULTY SENATE :** Ellen Williams said she would be willing to fill the position for one year. It is actually the Faculty Senate Board's responsibility to fill the position but the ownership of this responsibility is in flux.

**ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF COUNCIL:** Judy Donald reported on current activities, See complete report of the September 16<sup>th</sup> meeting in the October Newsletter. At the October 6<sup>th</sup> meeting it was announced that the Awards Ceremony has been changed from April to May. The date and time will be announced at a later date. Sandy Heck of Human Resources announced to the Council that digital access to the HR website is available and up-to-date.

**OLD BUSINESS:** There was a first reading of the proposed By-law amendment concerning officer term limits The proposed change is to Article IV – Governance of the Association, Section 3. Board of Directors, Part A. Membership of the Board. The proposal is to strike “but, limited to three consecutive two year terms”. It was moved by Rebecca Ferguson and seconded by Barbara Keller that the amendment be accepted. It was accepted by acclamation.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

It was suggested that the Association develop a policy on how to respond to donation requests like that of the Great Lakes Erie Museum. Barb Keller suggested that a \$75.00 donation seemed appropriate with a cap of \$100.00. For scholarship donations, announce how the money will be used and perhaps then place an article in the Newsletter.

**GOOD OF THE ORDER:**

The next meeting of the Board will be January 11, 2017, at 1:30 p.m. in the College Park Office Building, Room 2.

There being no further business before the Association, a motion to adjourn was made by Karel King and seconded by Bonnie Woods. The motion passed and the meeting was adjourned at 3:03 p.m. by President Chris Sexton.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda Treeger  
Secretary