

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

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Gaylyn Finn, Jan Finn, Barbara Keller, Jan Peterson, Chris Sexton, Judy Donald, Tina Martini, Charlie Applebaum, Linda Treeger, Bonnie Woods, Rebecca Ferguson, Joan Morgan-Augenstein, Roger Anderson, Barbara Moses, Terry Carver

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** Paul Lopez, Carol Lininger, Jim Corbitt, Ellen Dalton, Leo Navin, Ellen Williams, Karol King,

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

**MINUTES:**

It was moved by Barbara Moses and seconded by Barbara Keller that the previously distributed minutes of the October 13, 2016 meeting be approved. The motion passed.

**TREASURER'S REPORT:** Gaylyn Finn reported that there we no outstanding bills and The Association was in good financial shape.

**PRESIDENT'S REPORT:** Chris Sexton reported that there was nothing earth shattering to report and introduced Terry Carver, who will be the new Classified Staff Representative/Observer.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**ACTIVITIES:** Jan Finn reported that the Holiday Party at Ralph Wolfe's house was splendid and well attended. She expressed our appreciation for Ralph's hospitality. She announced that the Retirees Association is receiving a special tour of the Michael and Sara Kuhlin Center on March 9<sup>th</sup>. Anyone wanting to attend needs to contact her.

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

**BYLAWS:** Barbara Keller announced the proposed Bylaw changes will be presented to the attendees of March luncheon. An allowance has been made so that an office holder that has been term-limited may be returned to office after a one-year absence with the approval of the Board.

**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 as he previously reported and enumerated in his handout.

**NEWSLETTER:** No Report.

**WEB DEVELOPER:** No Report

**NOMINATING:** Jan Peterson reported that she will have the help of Linda Hamilton and Janet Parks assisting her in finding persons to serve in vacant Board and Committee positions.

**OFFICE MANAGEMENT:** Chris Sexton reported that she continues to check the Association voice mail and e-mail at least two times per week.

**PROGRAMS:** Barbara Moses reported that programs are being considered for 2017-2018 year. Tentatively scheduled are September – Mary Ellen Mazey, November-Francis Scruci, BG City Schools Superintendent, March- a speaker from the Great Lakes Museum, April- a joint meeting with UTRA in BG, featuring Ralph Wolfe speaking on the Gish sisters. May- TBA Perhaps Bob Midden

**PUBLICITY:** Barbara Keller reported that the Fall Luncheon and Holiday Party were in the Sentinel-Tribune in the “Community Briefs” section. She requested that any news, announcements or program information be given to her well in advance of the date of the event or a minimum of ten days.

**OCHER:** Roger Anderson reported that OCHER continues to monitor the Legislature and advocate for Pension Benefits. He informed us that investments are not doing as well as predicted and there may be a need to adjust benefits as a result to retain solvency of the fund. See an in-depth report of the OCHER meeting in the April Newsletter.

**FACULTY SENATE:** No Report.

**ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF COUNCIL:** Judy Donald reported that Sandy Heck of Human Resources announced to the Council that records have been scanned so digital access to the HR website is available and up-to-date. The United Way campaign raised \$46,000 in 2016. It was announced that the Sick Leave Bank will no longer exist after January, 2017 due to a lack of use and a low level of participation. Barbara Keller questioned when the change for the Leave Bank was decided and by whom. Judy said she would check on that as she was unsure.

**OLD BUSINESS:** Concerning adding or increasing the amount of Golden Book Awards Gaylyn Finn reported that the endowment fund is receiving more donations, but it would not be advisable at this time to withdraw more assets. He felt that increasing the amount of reserve funds would be a better course of action.

By-law changes were read by Barbara Keller for a second time and were agreed to by acclamation.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Chris Sexton suggested that she would like to have every Officer and Committee Chair compile a document of "How To Do My Job" or a "Tips For My Successor". The discussion that followed indicated that most felt it would be beneficial and a good idea. Details on how to accomplish this task will be discussed at a later time.

**GOOD OF THE ORDER:**

The next meeting of the Board will be April 12, 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 Gaylyn Finn. The motion passed and the meeting was adjourned at 3:03 p.m. by President Chris Sexton.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda Treeger  
Secretary