PRESENT: Roger Anderson, Pete Badia, Clif Boutelle, Don Bright, Bob Clark, Dick Edwards, Rebecca Eninger, Jim Gordon, Joan Gordon, Harold Lunde, Chris Sexton, Genevieve Stang

ABSENT: Dennis Anderson, Betsy Clark, Harry Hoemann, Park Leathers, Jane Schimpf

President Anderson called the meeting to order at 1:34 p.m.

MINUTES OF THE FEBRUARY 15, 2006, MEETING
Don Bright moved to approve the minutes as distributed. The motion was seconded and approved.

FINANCIAL REPORT
Treasurer Lunde presented the financial report. Income is $13,535.30, with expenses of $4,897.93, leaving a balance of $8,637.37. Report on file with these minutes. He said we are in “good shape” financially.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

• ACTIVITIES—It was decided to do a brief survey, asking what people want in the way of activities.

• BYLAWS—No report.

• MEMBERSHIP—Since the last meeting, one person has become a life member, bringing the total of life members to 35 (32 life and 3 life associates).

• NEWSLETTER—Deadline for copy for the next issue of the newsletter is April 23. Jim Gordon would like to have envelopes printed with mailing/postal information on them. Sexton moved to approve the request. The motion was seconded and approved.

• NOMINATING—Dick Edwards, chair, reported that the committee, which also includes Ted Groat and Pete Badia, have asked the following to be candidates—Betsy Clark for vice president; Joan Gordon, for secretary, and for Board positions—Tom Bennett, Clif Boutelle, Ted Groat, Harry Hoemann, Park Leathers, Chuck McCaghy. President Anderson asked for nominations from the floor. There were none. He noted that the slate goes on a ballot in the newsletter with all ballots to be returned on or before May 31. It was moved and seconded that the slate be adopted. The motion was approved.

• OCHER—Dick Edwards reported that OCHER had a good meeting March 20. The next meeting will be May 16. The annual meeting on April 26 has been cancelled since not all associations have made a commitment to have representatives there.

Genevieve Stang said we should continue to watch legislation—especially the TEL/TABOR proposal, Medicare Part D, marketing of drugs, pension reforms, and change coming out of SB273.

• OFFICE STAFFING—Anderson said things were going well in the office.

• OFFICE OPERATION—Security on the computer has been updated.

• PROFESSIONAL—Bill Rock sent a written report on the activity of the Committee on Professional Affairs. He noted that most of the committee’s last meeting was spend on the TEL/TABOR proposal. Other discussion focused on textbook costs and the possibility of getting “position papers” from the
gubernatorial candidates relative to their viewpoints on financing higher education. Copy of report attached to these minutes.

• PROGRAM—Minutes of the March 15 meeting of the Program Committee reported the following:
  — 119 members of either the Wood County Retired Teachers Association or BGSURA attended the March 15 joint meeting with the WCRTA, to hear Damon Asbury, STRS Executive Director, speak.
  — May 17, BGSURA, program by Adelia Peters on Chinese folk cultures
  — September 13, Annual Convocation, speaker, Kendall Baker, President, Ohio Northern University
  — The programs for 2006-2007 are in the process of being confirmed.

• ADMINISTRATIVE COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVE—Edwards reported the Council will meet April 6.

• CLASSIFIED STAFF COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVE—Sexton reported no questions for the BGSURA Board at the moment.

• COMMITTEE ON PROFESSIONAL AFFAIRS REPRESENTATIVE—See earlier report under “Professional.”

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

• LISTPROC—Jim Gordon recommends that the ListProc be used to present information (a) thought to be useful to PERS and STRS retirees as determined by the list owners and (b) from any of the official organizations registered with the Office of Campus Involvement. If the ListProc subscriber is dissatisfied with its content, unsubscribing is easily done by the subscriber. It was agreed to try this for the rest of the year.

Another question to resolve is “should the Directory be put on our web page?”

• REVISION OF HANDBOOK—Hal Lunde is currently compiling and updating information for the handbook. The Office of Human Resources will pay for the printing.

NEW BUSINESS

• REGIONAL MEETING—President Anderson encouraged Board members to attend the April 19 meeting with MUO retirees.

• PROPOSED TEL/TABOR AMENDMENT—OCHER has suggested that information on this proposal be brought to the Board. We need to decide what we want to do regarding the proposal—for instance, speak out/take a stand, encourage members to become informed through the newsletter and other materials, then take a stand? It was decided to continue the discussion at the July 19 meeting.

RETIRING BOARD MEMBERS—President Anderson expressed appreciation for the service of those Board members whose terms are up—Bob Clark, Becky Eninger, and Dennis Anderson.

• NEXT BOARD MEETING—The next Board meeting will be Wednesday, July 19, at 1:30 p.m.

THE MEETING was adjourned at 2:40 p.m.

JOAN H. GORDON
Secretary