The Ohio Council of Higher Education Retirees

ANNUAL REPORT
2016 – 2017
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THE YEAR IN REVIEW
2016-2017
Roger Anderson
OCHER President

This year has been a year of transition for OCHER as our long-time HPA and OCHER representative to STRS, Dr. Richard M. Hill from OSURA, stepped down after many years of service to OCHER. He has been ably replaced as OCHER representative to HPA and STRS by Carl Leier and Gerald Newsom from OSURA.

At the November 15 OCHER meeting Dr. Hill was formally inducted into the OCHER Hall of Fame. Richard served on the faculty of the Ohio State University College of Optometry for thirty-one years retiring as Dean and Professor Emeritus. In retirement he served as President of OSURA, was OSURA Executive Board Secretary, Benefits Committee Secretary and Vice-Chair and STRS and HPA representative. He was an OCHER member from 1998-2016 serving as the OCHER Legislative and STRS Board and HPA representative since 2005. In his honor the OCHER Council contributed $200 to the Hill Endowed Lecture Series on Frontiers in Vision Research at the Ohio State University.

Throughout the year Carl Leier and Gerald Newsom, Marla Bump, Director of Government Relations for STRS, Greg Nickell, Director of Health Care Services for STRS, Michele Hobbs, and Shara Bailey, Coordinator of Higher Education for STRS kept us informed of HPA, STRS, and OPERS pension and health care changes and reforms and Ohio and national legislative changes and activities.

In addition we were provided additional information on Ohio public employee pensions and health care by Dr. John Cavanaugh, former Executive Director of ORTA; John McNey from AAUP Ohio; and Gordon Gatien, Interim Director of OPERS.
I want to personally thank our efficient and effective secretary, Michele Hobbs, our very able Treasurer, Jim Lapp, and our ever helpful Vice-President Nancy Wardwell, who has done an excellent job on this Annual Report.

In closing I want to wish Nancy Wardwell well as she once again takes leadership as President, and I want to welcome Steven Howe as he takes over as Vice-President. Finally, I want to thank the OCHER Council for your continued support and service.
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Kay Schotzinger, Cheryl Hodnichuk, Lindsey Loftus

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APPENDIX A

THE HISTORY OF OCHER

The Ohio Council of Higher Education Retirees (OCHER) has its origin in a January 25, 1992 meeting at the Fawcett Center of The Ohio State University. Chalmer Hixson, Professor Emeritus of Physical Education at Ohio State, invited representatives from several state-supported universities in Ohio to share information about retiree organizations on their campuses and to consider the formation of a statewide association of those groups. Representatives from the University of Cincinnati, Cleveland State University, Miami University, The Ohio State University, Ohio University, and Wright State University attended. Each of those schools had active retiree-emeriti associations, except Cleveland State. Wright State was in the process of forming one.

At that January meeting, 13 attendees described their organizations, shared common concerns, and agreed on the need for a statewide communication network among the organizations. They also agreed to contact other state schools, to invite them to attend future meetings of this umbrella group and to encourage them to organize their retirees. The participants agreed that this new network, when formalized would not compete with the Ohio Retired Teachers Association (ORTA) or the Ohio Education Association (OEA).

The second meeting of this “steering committee” on April 9, 1993 included representatives from Kent State University and the Medical College of Ohio, both of which had active retiree groups, in addition to delegates from the six original schools. Bills had been introduced in both houses of the state legislature to add, among others, a second retiree to the STRS Board. That proposed legislation stimulated the group to action. Shortly thereafter, at a June 25, 1993 meeting the name Ohio Council of Higher Education Retirees, or OCHER, was adopted for this network. At the June meeting attendees agreed to contact their state legislators to specify that the second STRS Board retiree member be from Higher Education.

Several OCHER meetings were held over the next year, and on May 24, 1994 a constitution was unanimously approved. Two representatives from each school present signed the charter: University of Cincinnati, Kent State University, Medical College of Ohio, Miami University, The Ohio State University, Ohio University, and Bowling Green State University. Chalmer Hixson was elected OCHER president. Other officers elected were Jim Richard (MCO), vice president; Ray Skinner (OU), secretary; and C. Thomas Ridenour(OSU), treasurer.
Other schools gradually joined OCHER. The University of Toledo did so in 1995, followed by University of Akron and Youngstown State University in 1998. In 2000 the Northeastern Ohio Universities College of Medicine became a member, and in 2004, Cleveland State University joined. Shawnee State University joined the OCHER Board in 2009.

The quarterly OCHER meetings have for the most part been held in Columbus. Legislative and Advocacy committees, now combined, have been active since OCHER’s inception. In 1998 OCHER hosted its first Annual Conference and in 2001, annual regional meetings were instituted.

In 2013 the OCHER Newsletter suspended operations and a website (www.bgsu.edu/retirees-association/ocher.html) was established through the auspices of Bowling Green State University.
APPENDIX B

OCHER VISION AND MISSION STATEMENT

VISION:
The Ohio Council of Higher Education Retirees will be an effective organization enabling it to share ideas for the improvement or establishment of individual university retirees’ associations and to speak on issues important to its members. It will be recognized by other major retirees associations throughout Ohio.

MISSION:
Serving as a forum, the Ohio Council of Higher Education Retirees will strive to enhance existing programs and help other Ohio higher education institutions establish their retirees associations and, in consensus, take positions on benefit issues and other matters that concern the welfare of the group as a whole.

GOALS:
- To promote and support the formation of retirees associations within the public higher education institutions of Ohio.
- To share information about the structure and activities of member retirees associations.
- To develop and present annual meetings which serve to inform and enlighten the membership.
- To be efficient and effective in carrying out the duties and functions of the Council.
- To utilize all means of communication to inform member institutions about activities, meetings, and retirement issues in general.
- To represent the retirees of member institutions on benefit issues and other retiree concerns affecting the welfare of retirees of Ohio public institutions of higher education.
APPENDIX C
Ohio Council of Higher Education Retirees Constitution
Revised May 17, 2016

Article I – Name
The name of this organization is the Ohio Council of Higher Education Retirees (OCHER).

Article II – Purpose
The purpose of this nonprofit organization is to promote the welfare of retirees of Ohio public institutions of higher education by:

- providing advocacy leadership and representation for retirees in Ohio public retirement systems, to the Ohio Legislature, and to other appropriate groups at the local, state and national levels that deal with issues concerning the welfare of retirees of public institutions of higher education;
- sharing information among member institutions of general interest, as well as that specific to a particular campus;
- supporting retiree organizations at each of the member institutions;
- encouraging the formation of retiree associations at institutions not represented at OCHER.

Article III – Membership
- Section 1 - Eligible Members
  o OCHER shall be made up of two voting representatives from each of the Public Universities of Ohio.
- Section 2 - Active Members
  o The Public Universities of Ohio which have functioning retiree organizations and who have paid their dues shall be classified as Active Members. Active members at the time OCHER was chartered shall be considered Charter Members.
- Section 3 - Selection of Representatives
  o Retiree organizations of member institutions may select two representatives to OCHER. More than two members of a member institution retiree group are encouraged to attend meetings, but no more than two votes may be cast by that institution on any motion.
  o For a public university without a retiree organization, the Vice President for University Relations, or a comparable university official, shall appoint temporary representatives to serve until a retiree organization can be formed.

Article IV – Governance
- Section 1 - Officers and Duties
The officers of OCHER shall be a President, a Vice President, a Secretary, and a Treasurer, with the general duties customarily performed by such officers. Officers are elected for one-year terms, but they may be elected to succeed themselves.
o The President shall make arrangements for meetings, prepare agendas for the meetings, and conduct the meetings. The President may appoint any committee to serve a specific purpose. The President may appoint someone to represent him or her for any of these duties. The President is responsible for appointing OCHER representatives to meetings of the State Teachers Retirement System (STRS), the Ohio Public Employee Retirees System (OPERS), and the School Employees Retirement System (SERS) Boards, legislative committees and other organizations that involve the welfare of higher education retirees, including the Ohio Retired Teachers Association (ORTA) and the Public Employee Retirees, Incorporated (PERI). The President, on the recommendation of the chair of the Advocacy Committee, is responsible for appointing an eligible representative to serve on the ORTA Executive Committee and a representative to serve on the ORTA Board of Directors, and similarly for other appropriate groups, as applicable.

o The Vice President, shall preside and serve in the absence of the President.

o The Secretary shall keep a record of OCHER's minutes, write letters of appreciation for services rendered to OCHER, and be responsible for sending copies of the minutes of the previous meeting, the agenda for the next meeting and any other appropriate materials to all OCHER representatives at least two weeks prior to the meeting. The Secretary shall solicit information about services, benefits and activities involving retirees from member universities with retiree organizations and distribute this information to all representatives. The Secretary shall prepare an Annual Report and distribute it to all representatives. The Secretary shall maintain all records pertaining to the activities of OCHER and store them in an appropriate manner (OCHER Archives).

o The Treasurer shall collect all dues and keep records of all income and expenses. The Treasurer shall pay all bills when proper receipts are submitted. A Treasurer's report shall be given at each meeting.

- Section 2 - Nomination of Officers
  o Before the last regular meeting of the year the Nominating Committee shall recruit nominees for each elective position. An announcement of the slate of officers shall be included in the agenda for the last regular meeting. Nominations may be made from the floor at that meeting.

- Section 3 - Election of Officers
  o The officers shall be elected at the last regular meeting of the academic year. They shall assume their duties immediately following that meeting.

Article V – Committees
- Section 1 - Standing Committees
Standing Committees and their chairs are appointed by the President, and they assume duties at the first regular meeting of the year. The Committees shall make regular reports at the OCHER meetings.
  o Executive Committee: The Executive Committee shall be composed of the
President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer and the Past President. It shall meet at the pleasure of the President and shall advise the President. The Executive Committee shall act on matters of urgent importance referred to it which require a decision to be made between meetings of OCHER.

- Nominating Committee: The Nominating Committee shall be composed of no more than four members, who shall be Past Presidents of OCHER, if possible, and the immediate Past President shall chair the committee, if possible. The Nominating Committee shall prepare a slate of officers for the last regular meeting of the year.

- Advocacy Committee: Members of Advocacy Committee shall identify, monitor and study issues which might affect higher education retirees of the Ohio public employee retirement systems and recommend actions which express the position of the OCHER

- Section 2 - Special Committees

Special committees may be appointed by the President as the need dictates.

Article VI – Meetings

- Section 1 - General Provisions
  - Meeting times and locations shall be determined for the upcoming year at a regular OCHER meeting. There shall be at least four regular meetings held during an academic year, typically in September, November, March and May. Regional meetings may be held at any time of the year.

- Section 2 - Annual Conference
  - An annual conference, open to all higher education retirees, may be held in the Spring of the year.

- Section 3 - Emergency Meetings
  - Emergency meetings may be called by the Executive Committee.

Section 4 - Quorum
  - A majority of OCHER representatives shall constitute a quorum.

Section 5 - Procedure
  - Robert's Rules of Order, revised, is the guide for questions of procedure not otherwise stated in this Constitution.

Article VII – Dues

Necessary expenses, such as postage for meeting notices, refreshments, and the Annual Report, for example, shall be met by the assessment of dues for Active Members. The Executive Committee shall establish the amount of the dues, which shall be collected by the Treasurer for the academic year. Unspent dues shall be carried over to the next year.

Article VIII – Affiliation

OCHER may affiliate with other organizations which the membership feels will empower OCHER and which will enhance the welfare of higher education retirees.

Article IX – Amendments

Major changes and amendments to this Constitution shall be approved by a two-thirds majority of the representatives of member institutions at a regular or a special OCHER meeting. Proposed changes and/or amendments shall be sent to all members no later than four weeks prior to the meeting at which action is to be taken.
Responsibilities of OCHER Representatives

1. Attend all OCHER meetings and Annual Conferences faithfully.

2. Be willing to serve on OCHER committees and to hold offices.

3. Participate in discussions of issues related to retirees, and plan strategies to take actions that will benefit retirees.

4. Share information concerning unique features of his or her institution’s retiree group.

5. Suggest changes in his or her retiree organization based on the experiences of other retiree organizations.

6. Work with his or her institution to procure retiree benefits.

7. Be willing to volunteer to provide service to his or her institution.

8. Serve as an active advocate and representative for university retirees.

9. Become informed of legislation affecting retirees and communicate that to his or her institution’s retirees.

10. Become informed of changes in STRS and OPERS policies and communicate those to his or her institution’s retirees.

11. Support legislation that would increase the number of retirees on the STRS and OPERS Boards.

12. Support legislation that would improve the benefits for all retirees.

13. Be willing to contact legislative representatives at the state and national levels to improve retiree benefits and to make sure that benefits are not eroded by new legislation.

14. Be willing to assist retirees at public universities without retiree organizations to form one.

15. Encourage member institution retirees, including spouses who become STRS benefit recipients, to join ORTA and to become active in local chapters of ORTA.

16. Encourage member institution retirees, including spouses who become OPERS benefit recipients, to join PERI and to become active in local chapters of PERI.
## BENEFITS and ACTIVITIES of OCHER MEMBERS

### University Life

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### Included as members

- All retirees
- Faculty & some staff
- Emeriti & classified
- All retirees & spouses
- All retirees
- Tours
- All retirees
- Spouses, partners, & friends
- All retirees
- Travel, tours
- All retirees
- Lecture series
- All retirees
- Reunion
- Oral history
- All retirees

### Role in University:

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OFFICERS OF OHIO COUNCIL OF HIGHER EDUCATION RETIREES BOARD
1992-PRESENT

1992-1993
President: Chalmer G. Hixson, Ohio State University
There were no other officers because OCHER was just being organized.

1993-1994
President: Chalmer G. Hixson, Ohio State University
Vice-President: Jim Richard, Medical College of Ohio
Secretary and Temporary Treasurer: Ray Skinner, Ohio University

1994-1995
President: Chalmer G. Hixson, Ohio State University
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Secretary and Temporary Treasurer: Ray Skinner Jr., Ohio University

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Vice-President: Jim Richard, Medical College of Ohio
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1996-1997
President: Jim Richard, Medical College of Ohio
Vice-President: Charles Carlson, Ohio University
Secretary: Ray Skinner, Jr., Ohio University
Treasurer: C. Thomas Ridenour, Ohio State University

1997-1998
President: Charles Carlson, Ohio University
Vice-President: Lancelot Thompson, University of Toledo
Secretary: Ray Skinner Jr., Ohio University
Treasurer: C. Thomas Ridenour, Ohio State University

1998-1999
President, Lancelot Thompson, University of Toledo
Vice-President: Mary Stonecash, Wright State University
Secretary: Ray Skinner, Jr., Ohio University
Treasurer: C. Thomas Ridenour, Ohio State University
1999-2000
President: Mary Stonecash, Wright State University
Vice-President: Myra West, Kent State University
Secretary: Ray Skinner, Jr., Ohio University
Treasurer: C. Thomas Ridenour, Ohio State University

2000-2001
President: Myra West, Kent State University
Vice-President: Ben Yozwiaki, Youngstown State University
Secretary: Ray Skinner, Jr., Ohio University
Treasurer: C. Thomas Ridenour, Ohio State University

2001-2002
President: Myra West, Kent State University
Vice-President: Ben Yozwiaki, Youngstown State University
Secretary: Ray Skinner Jr., Ohio University
Treasurer: C. Thomas Ridenour, Ohio State University

2002-2003
President: Ben Yozwiaki, Youngstown State University
Vice-President: Lou DiOrio, Ohio State University
Secretary: Ray Skinner, Jr., Ohio University
Treasurer: C. Thomas Ridenour, Ohio State University

2003-2004
President: Lou DiOrio, Ohio State University
Vice-President: Robert Niedzielski, University of Toledo
Secretary: Ray Skinner, Jr., Ohio University
Treasurer: C. Thomas Ridenour, Ohio State University

2004-2005
President: Robert Niedzielski, University of Toledo
Vice-President: Richard Edwards, Bowling Green State University
Secretary: Genevieve Stang, Bowling Green State University
Treasurer: C. Thomas Ridenour, Ohio State University
2005-2006
President: Richard Edwards, Bowling Green State University
Vice-President: Harold Williams, Kent State University
Secretary: Genevieve Stang, Bowling Green State University
Treasurer: C. Thomas Ridenour, Ohio State University

2006-2007
President: Harold Williams, Kent State University
Vice-President: Robert Gandee, University of Akron
Secretary: Roger Anderson, Bowling Green State University
Treasurer: C. Thomas Ridenour, Ohio State University

2007-2008
President: Robert Gandee, University of Akron
Vice-President: Ted Foster, Ohio University
Secretary: Roger Anderson, Bowling Green State University
Treasurer: Hank Nettling, Kent State University

2008-2009
President: Ted Foster, Ohio University
Vice-President: Lou DiOrio, Ohio State University
Secretary: Roger Anderson, Bowling Green State University
Treasurer: Hank Nettling, Kent State University

2009-2010
President: Ted Foster, Ohio University
Vice-President: Lou DiOrio, Ohio State University
Secretary: Roger Anderson, Bowling Green State University
Treasurer: Hank Nettling, Kent State University

2010-2011
President: Ted Foster, Ohio University
Vice-President: Lou DiOrio, Ohio State University
Secretary: Roger Anderson, Bowling Green State University
Treasurer: Hank Nettling, Kent State University
(President Foster died during his term and Vice-President DiOrio finished his term)
2011-2012
President: Lou DiOrio, Ohio State University
Vice-President: Nancy Wardwell, Ohio State University
Secretary: Roger Anderson, Bowling Green State University
Treasurer: Hank Nettling, Kent State University

2012-2013
President: Lou DiOrio, Ohio State University
Vice-President: Nancy Wardwell, Ohio State University
Secretary: Roger Anderson, Bowling Green State University
Treasurer: Hank Nettling, Kent State University
(President DiOrio died in the summer of 2012 and Vice-President Wardwell finished his term).

2013-2014
President: Nancy Wardwell, Ohio State University
Vice-President: Roger Anderson, Bowling Green State University
Secretary: Myra West, Kent State University
Treasurer: Hank Nettling, Kent State University

2014-2015
President: Nancy Wardwell, Ohio State University
Vice-President: Roger Anderson, Bowling Green State University
Secretary: Michele Hobbs, Ohio State University
Treasurer: Hank Nettling, Kent State University

2015-2016
President: Roger Anderson
Vice-President: Vacant
Secretary: Michele Hobbs, Ohio State University
Treasurer: James Lapp, University of Toledo

2016-2017
President: Roger Anderson, Bowling Green State University
Vice-President: Nancy Wardwell, The Ohio State University
Secretary: Michele Hobbs, The Ohio State University
Treasurer: James Lapp, University of Toledo
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