

Minutes, USI Retirees Coordinating Committee

April 3, 2014

1:00 p.m., Foundation Office

Attendance: Christine Jines, Yvonne Floyd, Michael Whipple, John Deem, Jeanne Barnett, Sarah Harlan, and Sherry Darrell

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order by President John Deem at 1:01 p.m.

Minutes: The minutes of the January 17, 2014, meeting were read and approved.

Treasurer's Report: Michael Whipple, treasurer, reported a balance of \$1723.19 as of Feb. 28, 2014. There was a discussion of the charges for printing of "Vintage Times". An explanation of the charges was provided. Postage for mailings was also discussed. It was decided that "Vintage Times" will not be mailed to non-members. The publication will be available to those attending events for the Retirees. The treasurer's report was approved.

Unfinished Business:

The USI Academic & Athletic Logo selection will be revealed on April 9, at 10 a.m. in Carter Hall. All are invited to attend.

John Deem reported on the 50th Anniversary Celebration. The committee continues to meet once per month. Multiple activities are planned for the celebration.

An update was given on the Identifying Alumni Project. There will be an event involving retired faculty and staff along with senior faculty on April 3, from 3 – 4:30 p.m. The event is to begin the process of updating information on alumni and identifying star or outstanding alumni.

Sarah Harlan reported on the Foundation luncheon at the Kennel Club held on Feb. 8. There were approximately 87 attendees. Changes for next year will include a served meal rather than a buffet. This will allow for a vegetarian option in addition to reduce the movement and constraints with a buffet.

Discussions will continue on travel presentations. Michael Whipple will contact Lennie and Annie Dowhie to invite them to present sometime this fall. There is continued interest in these types of presentations.

Christine Jines reported on possible day trips for 2014. The Azalea Path had a good response at the luncheon. Christine will not be available to co-ordinate this trip. Yvonne Floyd agreed to co-ordinate this activity. It will probably be around May 1, but the date is not yet set. A trip to Huber Wineries is also being planned for September/October. Christine will set a date and notify members. The dates of the day trips will also be placed on the calendar on the retirees website. There are 2 activities this summer sponsored by the Alumni Office. These are June 1 – the Alumni picnic and June 7 – Churchill Downs. The retirees are welcome to join the alumni on these activities.

There will not be any workshops in the spring. Discussion continues for a possible workshop in the fall. Suggestions include a continued discussion of medical care issues. It was

suggested that a presentation on retiree healthcare benefits and changes to the plans be included.

The Retiree reception at the University Home is scheduled for July 31, from 4 – 6 p.m. The feasibility of a tour of the new teaching theater will be pursued and Elliott Wassermann will be invited to present a short talk on the new theater.

New Business:

John Deem received a request for the Retirees to help with the Indiana State Senior Games. USI will help in hosting the activities. The games are scheduled for May 15 - 23. Because of the short time, it was decided that we would respond with interest but involvement would be difficult this year. We will make sure the dates of the games are included in USI Notes announcements.

John Deem received information about the new CPR technique along with a video. The link to this information will be included in an e-mail to retirees.

A suggestion to have a rummage sale to raise funds for a scholarship was forwarded to John Deem. It was suggested we not proceed until a better plan has been developed.

John Deem announced the spring retirement reception on April 9 and invited all to attend.

The next pizza party gathering will be the first day of classes, August 25, 2014. The location has been set for Roca Bar North.

The next meeting of the USI Retirees Coordinating Committee is June 5, 2014, at 1:00 p.m.

Our thanks and appreciation were given to Sarah Harlan. She has moved to a new position at USI in the Alumni Affairs office. Sarah has been an invaluable resource for the Retirees during her time in the Foundation Office. We wish her well in her new position.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jeanne K. Barnett, Secretary

Approved June 5, 2014