

Minutes, USI Retirees Coordinating Committee

June 5, 2014

1:00 p.m., Foundation Office

**Attendance:** Michael Whipple, John Deem, Jeanne Barnett, Helen Sands, Sherrienne Standley, 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 April 3, 2014, meeting were read and approved as amended.

**Treasurer's Report:** Treasurer Michael Whipple reported a balance of \$1783.19 as of the end of April. The treasurer's report was approved.

**Unfinished Business:**

John Deem reported that the next meeting of the general committee for the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary celebration will meet on June 12, 2014. There are multiple projects in the works. The kick-off is scheduled for Sept. 15, 2015.

Jeanne Barnett reported on the Identifying Alumni Project on Apr. 3. There were more than 35 faculty and administrators in attendance. It was a positive start, but it was felt there was too little time for the task at hand. There was some discussion of further activities.

Michael Whipple reported on the Milestones of Service Reception. There were approximately 65 individuals identified from the administrative staff for their time at USI starting with 5 years. It was a well done celebration.

A discussion of future travel presentations was held. Lennie Dowhie has been contacted and will present at the November meeting if he is not in China. Dan Craig was identified as a second presenter if Lennie is not available. Other names that were considered and will be invited in the future are Larry Goss and Marlene Shaw.

The day trip to the Azalea Path did not occur. Chris Jines is still planning a day trip to Huber Winery for the fall. More information will be available later.

Janet Greer has submitted her resignation from the steering committee. A replacement for the remaining year of Janet's term will be presented at the November meeting. Janet was also the president-elect, so that position will also be considered by the nominating committee. Sherrienne Standley and John Deem will be looking into the possibilities.

John reported that Ed Jones is still interested in a fall medical workshop. It was discussed that the workshop may need to be postponed until spring, 2015, to allow time to put it together. It was also suggested that we piggyback on the gerontology conference that Mary Scheller chairs. It was suggested that Ed pursue that possibility along with a discount for registration for the conference.

Michael Whipple will check with Mark Rozewski as to the possibility of a tour of the new teaching theater on July 31. It was suggested that multiple tour leaders be used so we can hear what is said.

**New Business:**

It was suggested that a reunion event for alumni and faculty be considered.

John Deem reminded the committee to submit their volunteer hours to Sarah Harlan in the Alumni Affairs office. Work with the steering committee is considered volunteer hours. The hours must be submitted by June 30, 2014, but it would be appreciated if they are submitted prior to that.

Future events and dates:

Fall Pizza Party – Roca Bar North on Aug. 25, 2014 (the first day of class at USI)  
Steering Committee meeting – 1:30 p.m. at the Foundation Office on July 31,  
2014  
University Retiree Reception at the University Home – 4 – 6 p.m. on July 31,  
2014. If possible, this will be preceded by a tour of the new teaching theater.  
USI Retirees Annual Meeting – Nov. 6, 2014, at 3:00 p.m. in Kley Meyer Hall.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:00 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jeanne K. Barnett, Secretary

Minutes not yet approved.