

OSURA Board Meeting Minutes

October 7, 2022

Meeting held at OSU Foundation Building

Members present:, Carroll DeKock, Bill Young, Gary Beach, Larry Pribyl, Julie Searcy, Tony Amandi, Mike Schuyler, Rose Kenneke

Event Office Staff: Shelly Signs

Absences: Bob Smythe, Kathy Motley, Carol Kronstad, Mike Burke, Mary Burke

Called to order at 10:02 AM by President Elect Carroll DeKock

1. Minutes from the Board Meeting of September 9, 2022, were approved with no changes.
2. Budget and Finance:

Treasurer Bill Young handed out copies of the report covering up through September 30 and gave comments.

Good news: OSURA is in good shape financially. Membership renewals are strong, with income \$4520.00. This corresponds to 257 members to date. Shelly is contacting some who have not yet renewed.

The OSURA Directory has been printed and will be mailed out over the weekend.

Larry asked how many members are residing out of the area and therefore cannot conveniently participate in our in-person events. Shelly replied that the number is fairly small.

Bill called attention to the overall loss OSURA experiences from the Start Up event due to the venue rental and catering not matching the attendee payments, since we only charge \$20 per OSURA member and \$25 for non-OSURA. This is quite low compared to other similar fund raiser events such as the baseball and women basketball dinners. Our event, though, is seen as collegial and not a fund raiser. One commenter criticized the food but complimented the venue.

Bill pointed out that contributions to the Scholarship were strong: \$10,515.00 so far.

The Budget was approved by vote.

3. Brief Committee reports:

a. Scholarship

Mike reported that Shelly has updated the website description of the OSURA Scholarship. He also reported that he cannot yet access the Scholar-Dollar website to see if it is also ready. Shelly suggested he contact the coordinator to gain a login, as was the case last year.

b. Member Services

Carroll reported that he has discussed with Lumina's Holly Terlson our interest in holding a session to discuss the philosophy of hospice, how it operates, the services they offer, some myths and truths about hospice and tips and resources for potential users.. Possible dates were considered in November and December with the group settling on December 8 at 2:00 PM. The hope is to hold the program in OSF Building.

c. Programs

Tony reported on the first Pickle Ball session, which was held at the courts behind Adams School, hosted by Connie and Bob Anderson. There were 13 participants. Connie told Tony that they

could provide instruction nearly anytime, depending upon location and competition for the venue. Apparently there is a website to assist in scheduling.

The baseball tour is scheduled for Oct. 11, with 24 signed up so far. This event was set up by Ray Brooks, but hurricane Ian prevented his attendance.

Tony said the Alsea Fish Hatchery tour is scheduled for Oct. 25 at 1:30 PM. Notices will be emailed soon. Larry asked if the sound enhancement system would be used, and Tony said one or two would be.

Larry reported that an evening event, possibly including dinner, is being planned for winter term featuring OSU Gymnastics. He would like to provide some form of access for OSURA members not in the area. If virtual, perhaps a Zoom medium. Mike suggested Facebook Live, since it is easy to produce and join in.

Newsletter/Website

Kathy was not present to report. The board was reminded that a replacement for Kathy must be found by next year. It was suggested that Kathy be asked to compose a list of tasks so those interested would know what is involved. Shelly pointed out that the job does not require technical expertise, since both website and newsletter production are handled by staff in Events.

d. Membership

No report

4. Staff Report

Shelly again pointed out that the Directory is in the process of being mailed. Bill asked if the cost to OSURA is about \$1,200. Shelly confirmed this. She also said the plan is for the Directory to be distributed next year during July There was a little discussion as to what time of year is most effective.

Shelly asked for feedback on the number of OSURA shirts to order. These are given to volunteers.

Gary strongly suggested that OSURA return to hosting a table to recruit at certain events, as was the practice in the past.

Shelly reported that Printing and Mailing needs employees to distribute mail on campus, and said this might be a good opportunity for retirees. She wondered if we could ask our membership.

Shelly described how the recent problem involving OSURA members being dropped off the membership distribution was caused by a clerical problem with the software. It has been remedied.

5. Old Business:

Rose reported that the first Travel Share event will be held Nov. 10 from 2:30-4:30 in the OSUF Building. A notice will be sent out. Shelly will contact OSU Catering about providing refreshments.

Gary suggested we consider Judy Shaw for a future Travel Share.

The consensus seemed to favor having a winter term Travel Share talk.

6. New Business:

Shelly pointed out that the OSURA President should send an invitation to the OSU President, inviting her to join us at the OSURA Annual Meeting in May. Failing that, perhaps she would be willing to speak at the 2023 Fall Start Up event.

Larry informed the board that TRIAD is going inactive this fall term, and the leaders are considering disbanding. This is in spite of nearing the group's 100th anniversary. A few OSURA board members brought up the possibility of merging the TRIAD activity into OSURA. Larry pointed out that TRIAD received OSU funding to cover the past luncheons.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:51 PM by Carroll DeKock.

The next scheduled OSURA Board meeting is November 4, 2022, at 10 AM, at the OSU Foundation Building.

Respectfully submitted, Mike Schuyler, for Mike Burke