

Monday, November 6, 2023

Meeting Place: OSU Foundation Board Room

Present: Kevin Ahern, Tony Amandi, Mary Burke, Mike Burke, Carroll DeKock, Jaga Giebultowicz, Rose Kenneke, Larry Pribyl, Indira Rajagopal, Julie Searcy, Bob Smythe, Liz Webb, Bill Young and Teri Braun

Absent: Gary Beach, and Mike Schuyler

Called to order at 10:00 AM by President Carroll DeKock

1. Review and Approval of Board minutes of Monday, October 2, 2023.

There were no changes to the minutes. Bill Young moved and Mary Burke seconded that the minutes be approved. The motion was approved unanimously.

2. Budget and Finance

Bill Young reported on the FY24 Budget and Finance up to September 30th and up to October 31st.

Over the two months, OSURA has added 6 single memberships and 2 family memberships for a total of around 330 OSURA paid memberships. OSURA has an additional 10 complimentary memberships bringing the grand total to about 340 memberships. Membership revenue for FY24 was \$4,260. The ending balance of the General Foundation Fund was \$10,751.94.

The Scholarship Fund had a beginning balance of \$16,631.06 and contributions of \$9,420 (including 9 new donations over the past two months). The FY24 scholarship expenses were \$9,600 and the ending balance was \$16,944.83.

The Scholarship Endowment had a book value of \$97,977.88 on October 31, 2023.

3. Brief Committee Reports

- a. Scholarship Committee

Mike Schuyler was absent and there was no report.

b. Program Committee

Tony Amandi reported that the committee had nine ongoing projects. These include:

- Republic Services presentation on recycling and composting – Tony Amandi is taking the lead on this with a 35-minute presentation.
- Gymnastics Black and Orange meet December 16th – Terri Tower working on this with a lunch and possible presentation, at LaSells Stewart Center.
- Tour of Beth Ray Center -- Ray Brooks is taking the lead working on mid-January to early February.
- Robotics surgery -- Ray Brooks is taking the lead on this. The schedule is yet to be determined.
- Tour of Remodeled Reser Stadium -- Ray Brooks is taking the lead with the program likely in Spring.
- Two Towns Cider facility tour -- Tony is taking the lead on this.
- Presentation on Israel/Palestine history and issues -- Tony and Larry are taking the lead and have contacts in history and with David Bernell in the School of Public Policy.
- Jane Lubchenco presentation -- Tony is working on this possibility.
- Pregame Women's Basketball dinner and presentation by Scott Rueck – Terri Tower is taking the lead. This would probably be at the LaSells Stewart Center.

c. Newsletter and Website

Liz Webb reported that the Fall Edition of "News and Views" went out on October 30th and that the student intern in University Events, Drew Caldwell, was very helpful. They are now focusing on the OSURA website before they get busy with the Winter Edition of "News and Views." Jaga Giebultowicz suggested including a "Travel Share" section to the newsletter where OSURA folks might give brief reports of recent travel. These would be much less formal than the "Travel Share" presentations. There was some interest. Liz indicated that Kathy Motley reported that demand for volunteers is less than in the past and she is not certain why.

d. Member Services Committee

Jaga Giebultowicz and Carroll DeKock led a discussion on past and potential future programs in the member services area. There was some interest in healthy aging,

exercise, and related programs. Jaga will chair the committee on an interim basis with Tom Plant and Bob Smythe also serving on the committee.

e. Travel Share

Rose Kenneke reported that 45 people attended the Travel Share on train and bus travel through the Canadian Rockies by Joe Nibler. The next program on February 16th will be by Kathleen and Gordon Reistad on their Alaska cruises. Following that, at a later date, Kevin Ahern and Indira Rajagopal will give a program on their travels on the Mediterranean or perhaps in Norway.

4. Staff Report

Teri Braun reported that 2023 OSU Retiree Directory was mailed out earlier. She indicated that membership payments come into the office at a rate of one to two a week. There was some discussion on how widely the “News and Views” should be distributed in the university.

5. Old Business

There was no new old business!

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The meeting was adjourned at 10:58 am.

The next scheduled OSURA Board meeting is Friday, December 1, 2023, at 10 AM at the OSU Foundation Building.

Respectfully submitted, Mike Burke