

## OSURA Board Meeting Minutes

Friday, February 2, 2024

Meeting Place: OSU Foundation Board Room

Present: Tony Amandi, Mary Burke, Mike Burke, Carroll DeKock, Jaga Giebultowicz, Rose Kenneke, Larry Pribyl, Mike Schuyler, Julie Searcy, Bob Smythe, Liz Webb, and Bill Young

Absent: Kevin Ahern, Gary Beach, Indira Rajagopal, and Teri Braun

Called to order at 9:59 AM by President Carroll DeKock

### 1. Review and Approval of Board minutes of Friday, January 5, 2023.

Motion to approve by Tony Amandi and seconded by Larry Pribyl. Approved unanimously.

### 2. Budget and Finance – Bill Young

Bill Young indicated that there was one new \$20 membership received. Otherwise, there was no new information to be reported.

### 3. Brief Committee Reports

#### a. Scholarship Committee – Mike Schuyler

Mike Schuyler reported that we are two weeks away from the scholarship deadline and that there were already eight completed applications. There will probably be 40 applications by the deadline date. One of the requirements for the OSURA Scholarship is that the applicant be resident at OSU for one year and of the eight applications, only three met this requirement. There was some discussion of the residence requirement considering “two plus two” programs with LBCC and other community colleges and related residence complications. Mike S and the committee will review these and report back at a future board meeting. For the past three years, applications have gone through the “Scholar Dollar” program in the OSU Foundation. Jaga Giebultowicz asked if there was adequate advertisement for the scholarships. After discussion, it was agreed that the present system was working well.

b. Program Committee – Tony Amandi and Larry Pribyl

- Larry Pribyl reported that David Bernell will make a presentation on domestic politics, elections and current world events on Friday, February 9<sup>th</sup> at 1:30 in the OSU Foundation Board Room.
- Larry also indicated that he and Tony Amandi will take a Palm Harbor Homes tour in Albany to see if it would be appropriate for OSURA and any issues that need to be worked out.
- Tony Amandi indicated that Ray Brooks has scheduled a tour of the Beth Ray for Academic Support facility for March 1<sup>st</sup> at 2 pm in room 233 at the Beth Ray facility. Attendance will be limited to 40 members. Tony is working with Teri Braun to make sure the information is sent to OSURA members.
- Tony has arranged for a presentation on March 8<sup>th</sup> at 10 am at the OSU Foundation Board Room on recycling. The presentation will be by Kenneth Larson of Republic Services. Teri already has that announcement together and it will be sent out to the OSURA members.
- Tony indicated that Terri Tower has arranged a Women's Basketball dinner and game for February 29<sup>th</sup>. The dinner will be at 5:30 pm with a presentation by Scott Rueck, Coach and/or Olivia Murphy, Director of Basketball Operations for the Women's Basketball Team. The dinner will be in the LaSells Stewart Center with the game following at 7 pm.
- Tony is working on setting up a tour of the OSU Clark Meat Center sometime in February or in April since March already has several events.
- Tony indicated that Gary Beach is the lead on the Performance Arts Center tour, and he will be working on it this next week for scheduling some time in April.
- Tony has contacted Curt Melcher, the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife Director, and he has no Mondays or Fridays available on his schedule as he approaches his retirement on April 1<sup>st</sup>. He is very willing to give a presentation after that time and Tony will stay in touch with him. The presentation will likely be in April or May.

c. Newsletter and Website – Liz Webb

Liz Webb reported the next OSURA Newsletter is being worked on by Liz and the graphic designer with plans to be out on March 15<sup>th</sup>. It will include stories on John Byrne, Cliff Trow, and Charles Vars, all OSURA members who have recently passed. It will also include information on the OSURA Programs and

Travel Share that will be occurring before and around March 15<sup>th</sup>. The drop-dead date for submissions is March 1<sup>st</sup>.

Regarding the OSURA Webpage, the revisions have been sent to Teri Braun but there are both data gaps and missing data.

Kathy Motley sent an update on volunteer opportunities including the Martin Luther King Day activities which didn't occur due to the ice storm. Liz indicated that Teri is in a very good position to facilitate volunteer activities due to her position at University Events.

d. Member Services Committee- Jaga Giebultowicz

Jaga Giebultowicz talked about interest in a future program on healthy living and the science of aging. Carroll DeKock asked about the possibility of bringing in an outside and well-known speaker on healthy aging and opening it up as a university event. Perhaps, for the 25<sup>th</sup> OSURA Anniversary (2026-7) or in place of the OSURA Fall Start-Up and be done along with scholarship presentations. As an aside, Carroll indicated that the next Annual Meeting is scheduled for May 10<sup>th</sup> and that he is working on getting President Murthy's calendar.

e. Travel Share - Rose Kenneke

Rose Kenneke announced two upcoming Travel Share talks.

- February 16, Alaska Cruises, by Kathleen and Gordon Reistad. The Travel Share will be in the OSU Foundation Board Room at 2:30 pm. So far 30 OSURA members and guests are registered.
- April 8, Athens to London, by Kevin Ahern and Indira Rajagopal. Again, this is scheduled at the OSU Foundation Board Room at 2:30 pm. The announcement has not gone out.

4. Old Business

There was discussion around the TRIAD Endowment Fund in the OSU Foundation. The committee working on merging this fund into OSURA is composed of Larry Pribyl, Gary Beach, Mike Schuyler, and Joe Nibler (ex officio). They will need to meet with the OSU Foundation to better understand the foundation requirements and rules. The TRIAD Endowment is approximately \$30,000 and supports one scholarship in the \$750 to \$1,000 range based on the student's service and leadership. They will probably meet next week.

## 5. New Business

Carroll DeKock indicated that the Annual Meeting is scheduled for May 10<sup>th</sup>. Carroll is working with President Murthy's office to get on her schedule.

Bob Smythe has arranged Past Presidents lunch for March 7<sup>th</sup>.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:07 am.

Next regular meeting: Friday, March 1, 2024, at 10:00 am at the OSU Foundation Board Room.