

**University of Delaware Association of Retired Faculty
Executive Committee Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, September 10, 2013
Courtyard Marriott
Executive Board Room (#106)**

Present

Board Members: Bob Brown, Bob Carroll, Phil Flynn, Louise Little, Lou Mosberg, and Stuart Sharkey.
Guest: Bob Stark

Meeting Brought to Order

President Stuart Sharkey called the meeting to order at 2:00 pm.

Secretary's Report

The minutes were not available.

Treasurer's Report

Treasurer Bob Brown provided the Board with the latest accounting of deposits and expenses since the last Board meeting. The current balances are as follows:

1 - UDARF Main Account: Balance (8/5/2013) is \$1792.19 (includes costs from Graphics for printing and mailing the Newsletter, payments to Whitney Gunter, the Intellectual Journey costs and Media and guests at March luncheon). As in previous years, this balance was assumed by the Provost's office and a new balance of \$5782.00 was supplied for the beginning of this year. This is the same as last year.
2 - Gift Account: Balance of \$1,035.45 (unchanged--no activity); and
3 - Luncheon Account – Balance as of 8/5/2013 is \$291.33. This is nearly identical to the balance at the beginning of last year. The Board accepted the Treasurer's report, as presented.

Old Business

Stuart announced the speakers and dates for the 2013 – 2014 that have been confirmed as follows:

Luncheon Speaker Series- Tuesdays, 11:30 am

October 1- McKay Jenkins, Professor of English
December 3- Douglas Tallamy- Chair of Entomology and Wildlife Ecology
March 4- Provost Grasso
May 6- President Harker

My Intellectual Journey Series- Thursdays, 4-6 pm Courtyard Marriott

November 7- Ray Callahan
April 10 Joan Del Fattore

Executive Board Meetings- Tuesdays, 2:00 pm, Courtyard Marriott

September 10, 2013
November 12, 2013
February 11, 2013
April 8, 2013

New Business.

Honorary members- *It was unanimously voted to invite Jack Townsend, former Director of Career Planning and Placement for honorary membership into UDARF.* Stuart will send the letter of invitation.

2- minutes 9/10/2013.

Retiree research: Bob Stark reported that Leslie Goldstein and he formed a committee as directed by UDARF to develop ideas to present to administration that would support retirees in research. Leslie is chair. Bob reported in her absence. They surveyed 10 regional institutions and learned of a wide range of support from nothing to extensive space and facilities, \$2000.stipends, venues to facilitate sharing of ideas, IT support, etc. *The board voted unanimously that UDARF should seek support from administration for research and other scholarly and creative activity for retired faculty.* To this end, the board requests that the committee write an article for the next Newsletter to describe the issues and possibilities. It should invite volunteers to join the committee. It also might assess the extent of scholarly activity among UD retirees by asking for a response to a few questions about the kind of scholarly activities they are pursuing or plan to pursue.

Directory of UDARF- Bob Stark initiated the idea that the UDARF directory is out of date and suggested that we seek to create a new directory of UDARF. Discussion included the fact that most such documents are on line and seeking funds for such is likely to be unsuccessful. Keeping it up to date is an issue for its relevancy.

Nominating Committee: Stuart will form a nominating committee with the charge to report the slate for President, President-elect, Secretary and Treasurer.at the February 10th Executive meeting for voting at the March luncheon meeting.

Adjournment- The meeting was adjourned at 3:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Louise Little, Secretary