

University of Delaware Association of Retired Faculty (UDARF)
Executive Committee Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, April 18, 2023 - 2:00 pm
Lobby– Courtyard by Marriott

Present: Philip Goldstein, Carolyn Manning, James O’Neill, William Saylor
Absent: Janet Johnson

President Saylor called the meeting to order at 2 pm.

- I. Minutes of January 31, 2023, meeting – were previously approved by email in February 2023 so they could be posted on the UDARF website in a timelier manner (not waiting until April).
- II. Treasurer’s Report – President Saylor met with Vice Provost Kinservic to discuss the amount of money allocated during the last 2 years 2021 & 2022 years (\$3000 each) and the earlier 2020 year (\$5000) to support our UDARF programs. He reported Vice Provost Kinservic was very supportive of UDARF & to let him know our financial needs for 7/1/23 -6/30/24.
- III. UDARF Research Grant Program for 2023 –Vice-president Jim O’Neill reported that the reviewers (Hal White & Dan Rich) approved 6 proposals, and that they will be announced at the May 3rd luncheon meeting.
- IV. Planning for 2023-2024
 - a. Discussed & identified tentative dates for the luncheon programs using this year’s dates:
 - Wed, Oct 18 (or Thu Oct 19)
 - Wed, Dec 13 (or Thu Dec 14)
 - Wed, Mar 5 (or Thu Mar 6)
 - Wed, May 1 (or Thu May 2)My Intellectual programs dates:
 - Thu, Nov 1 and Thu, Apr 4
 - b. Venues will remain the same: The Audion & Courtyard by Marriott
 - c. Discussed possible speakers and topics and which committee members who will follow up in the coming weeks.
- V. Other possible UDARF Activities – Discussed surveying members about what they may want and updating the website. Nothing finalized at this time.
- VI. Retirees Advocacy Committee – Discussed this idea & how it became apparent this year for a way to address the proposed retiree healthcare benefits. Will continue to explore this idea.

- VII. Update on Retiree Healthcare Benefits – There's much going on & the details are available on the website for the State Employees Benefits Committee. <https://dhr.delaware.gov/benefits/sebc/index.shtml> which has met in April with decisions to be released in May.

- VIII. Other Business – As we have not gotten the list of 2022 faculty retirees, Secretary Carolyn Manning contacted Teresa Doggett, Sr Retirement Specialist in Human Resources, to obtain the list. Expecting to receive it within the week.

The meeting ended at 3:30 pm & next meeting is tentatively scheduled for Tuesday, September 19.

Minutes prepared & submitted by Carolyn K. Manning, UDARF Secretary.