

**The Association of the University of Akron Retirees (AUAR)
Executive Board Meeting, October 24, 2013
Alumni Conference Room, InfoCision Stadium**

1. **Opening Remarks:** The meeting was called to order by President June Burton at 10 a.m. Others present were Loren Hoch, Ed Lasher, Diane Vukovich, Tom Vukovich, Hank Nettling, Dan Sheffer, Barbara Banks, Velma Pomrenke, Frank Thomas, Neal Raber, Carl Lieberman, Linda Sugarman, Bob Blankenship, Pam Rupert, Bob Gandee and Hans Zbinden. The minutes of the September 26, 2013 meeting were approved as written.
2. **Treasurer:** Bob Blankenship reported an available balance of \$7,034.15 as of September 30, 2013. This compares with a balance of \$8,934.34 as of September 30, 2012. It was moved to accept the report, subject to audit.
3. **Committee Reports:**
 - A. **Programs.** Tom Vukovich identified the speakers at next year's luncheons.
 - 1) March 12, 2014: Georjette Thomas on the topic of animal control
 - 2) April 9, 2014: Mel Vye. On the topic of North KoreaDiane Vukovich noted that plans are well under way for the Soup and Chili Supper at Goodyear Metro Park on Friday, November 1, beginning at 5:30 p.m. There was much discussion on the lack of handicap parking in the Quaker Square parking area at the time of our Wednesday luncheons.
 - B. **Membership:** Frank Thomas reports that we have 348 members, of whom 222 are active (paid) and 126 inactive (have not paid). There are 21 new members within the 222 active. At the December Board Meeting he will bring a list of the Members who have not paid along with labels, envelopes and letters to be mailed out.
 - C. **Political Action:** Hank Nettling called attention to the October edition of the STRS Ohio Newsletter and identified particularly important charts and health care information.
 - D. **Benefits:** Linda Sugarman gave a brief outline of Retiree Dependent enrollment materials which will be mailed in November. This included examples of monthly premiums, in combinations with and without Medicare.
 - E. **Faculty Senate:** Meeting of October 3, 2013. June Burton reporting in place of Neal Raber. Highlights of the 1 and 1/2 hour meeting:
 - 1) The Board of Trustees wants the Faculty included in the Presidential search process.
 - 2) Provost Sherman reported the Academic Program Review is in progress; He has met with every Dean of every College and is ready to implement changes;
 - 3) Elections were held for three Senators to participate in the Presidential search committee. Those elected were Constance Bouchard, Bill Rich and Harvey Sterns.
 - 4) Stacy Moore has been elected to the office of Chair, and Harvey Sterns to the office of Vice-Chair of University Council.
 - F. **University and Community Service:** During a discussion, it was decided that Dan Sheffer is to take the responsibility of this committee.
 - G. **Scholarship:** Hank Nettling reports that the AUAR Scholarship Fund stands at \$58,130.67.
 - H. **Newsletter:** Pam Rupert informs us that the next Newsletter is planned for

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H. Newsletter: (cont.)

completion by the end of 2013, with distribution in early January.

4. **Unfinished Business:** None reported.
5. **New Business.** June Burton informed us of a request from Dr. Jenny Stanley, Department of Psychology, to be able to get in touch with "older faculty" for her research.

The meeting adjourned at 11:30 a.m.

Hans Zbinden, recording secretary.

**Next Executive Board Meeting is Thursday, December 5, 2013.
Alumni Office Conference Room, InfoCision Stadium**

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