**UNM Retiree Association Board of Directors**

**Minutes**

October 23, 2018

**Present:** Steve Borbas, Kevin Malloy, Joyce Szabo, Breda Bova, Fred Rose, Rosalie Otero, Mike Dougher, Bev Kloeppel, Pug Burge, Donna Smith, Constance Vance, Leslie Easom, Jerry White

**Absent:**

**Staff:** Guinevere Beard

Meeting Called to Order at 1:34 pm

# Approval of Minutes

Approval of September 25th minutes.

Motion to approve: Connie

Second: Fred

**Dan Lopez**

* Chairs will most likely will remain the same in the Legislative, and things will stay as they are
* The public must recognize how decisions being made by a small group of people
* Analysts play a very key role and know the subject matter sometimes more that the legislatives. In terms of a messages it must be clear and concise, and much of the real work happens before the hearings.
* Dan will give the information the Retiree Association needs when the Retiree Association needs to act.

**President’s Report**

* Guin and Jerry are willing to plan the holiday shindig in December
* Audit Committee Selection: Melissa O’Neil and Carol Stephens were chosen as candidates
* Treasures Elect: Possibly Kurt Porter
* Regents Summary: Made report about the board. All the advisors spoke, and because he has decided that he will speak at every Regents Meetings about one or two things the RA is working on.

# Treasurer’s Report

* In the month of September the Retiree Association has done very well. It has been noticed that the longer Association waits to get payments the harder to get is to get the payments from the membership. The Retiree Association has 1,083 members, and many people have been paying their dues. Jerry has paid Bernadette, she has paid Reese, and is continuing the clean-up of the membership list.

**AROHE Conference Summary**

* Joyce stated there were some really good papers and some really bad papers. She suggested the Association needs to advertise the emeriti. Joyce agreed to have her name on the ballot for the board at the AROHE Conference. Joyce got ideas about getting mentors and mentees for faculty to talk about how their life is going to change and how to get ready for it.
* Kevin stated that the political activity was not really discussed. Kevin paid attend to the website and noticed that HR’s in other institutions actually help and make things easier to find those that are above 50 years of age.

**Membership Report**

* Mike gave thanks to Jerry for enhancing the membership.
* Mike wants to give a list of accomplishments to HR for the HR newsletter. He wants help compiling a list of accomplishments by Saturday, October 25th from the board.

# Programs

* The tour of the Petroglyph had about 9 people for the program.
* Dub’s husband will show a tour of Zimmerman Library on November 16th.

**Communications Report**

* Kevin is keeping up tactically but not strategically with the website.
* Jerry wants to add some changes about dues for spouses and make corrections about when the Retiree Association dues are due on the website.

**Benefits Report**

* Bev finished with enrollment fair today, and there were some interesting presentations about the programs. She will put out the tips sheet with the disclaimer on the next vendor fair on Halloween.
* Bev heard back from Dwayne, and he sent three fast info links about the Retiree Benefits.

**Legislative Report:**

* IPOC meeting: Dub read the letter that Kathy wrote. At the end of the meeting Munoz asked Jen if there was going to be an agreement and they said yes. At that point that is when Dub read the letter that they are not in agreement. One of the things about Moody’s is that New Mexico is the only state that received an unusual disclaimer opinion from their auditor. Dub brought up with Jen that the Federal IRS is about $12,000, and to double that to something more realistic like $24,000 would be the limit. Sometimes people retire at the age of 23 or 24 and they end up not qualifying for COLA.
* Legislative Committee meeting: Stephanie Lee expressed to Dub that AFT was not going to go along at all, and their AFT Retiree group supported them. We don’t need to do anything between now and the next meeting other than putting information together about COLA. On December 7th there could be a training session for how they are going to go to the Legislature.

**Other:**

* No Report Given

**Old Business:**

* No Report Given

# New Business:

* No Report Given

**Adjournment:**

 3:45 pm