

MINUTES OF MAY 9, 2012 and May 23, 2012
ARIZONA STATE UNIVERSITY RETIREES ASSOCIATION
BOARD MEETING

NOTE: Meeting was held in two sessions, on the 9th (Session A) and 23rd (Session B) of May.

Board Members Present: Gary Anderson, Barry Bruns, Dick Jacob, Barry Leshowitz, Connie McNeill, Carolyn Minner, Bill Moor, Jeannette Robson, Dave Schwalm, Dave Scheatzle, Barbara Eschbach, Gary Kleemann, Dick Kelly, Wilma Mathews, Bill Stasi, Barry McNeill

Absent: Joy Shearman (A), Jo Madonna (A), Barbara Eschbach (B), Gary Kleemann (B),

Ex-Officio Members Present: Abby Polito (A), Barbara Shaw-Snyder (Public Affairs)

Committee Chairs Present: Sue Blumer (Scholarship) (A), Linda Van Scoy (Video History) (A), Mary Stevens (Finance) (A), Connie McNeill (Web and Database) (A), Val Peterson (History) (A and B)

Committee Members/Guests: Carol Moore (Office Coordinator) (A)

I. CALL TO ORDER

President Bill Moor called the meeting (Session A) to order at 10 am.

II. INTRODUCTIONS AND WELCOME TO GUESTS

President Moor welcomed the guest Carol Minner (Office Coordinator).

III. ADOPTION OF TODAY'S AGENDA

President Moor requested that the agenda be modified to include a discussion of the History Project, which would be led by Val Peterson. The agenda was accepted as modified.

IV. REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF MARCH 14, 2012 BOARD MEETING

The minutes of the March 14, 2012 Board meeting were approved as corrected.

V. FINANCIAL REPORT/TREASURER'S REPORT – BARRY BRUNS

The report was approved (see Treasurer's Report). Barry observed that the present budget was tracking well. The need to replace the office copy machine was brought up and Bill Moor instructed Carolyn Minner and Carol Moore to proceed with the replacement.

VI. EX-OFFICIO REPORTS

- Human Resources – no report
- University Liaison
Abby Polito, ASU Legislative Liaisons in the Office of Public Affairs, thanked the Board for its opposition to the Guns on Campus Bill, which did

not pass. Abby noted that the University was pleased that the governor's budget, including parity funding, had been passed by the Legislature and signed by the Governor. (See additional attached reports submitted by Abby.)

- University Senate – no report

VII. STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS FOR THE UNIVERSITY

A. Community Outreach Committee - Subcommittee Reports

- Adopt-A-Family – Joan Leard: No report
- Emeritus College Liaison – Dick Jacob: The Emeritus College would like to assist the ASURA publicize its activities. He asked the Board to send news items to Winifred Doane at wdoane@asu.edu for inclusion in the newsletter and announcements to Amanda Meyers at Amanda.Meyers@asu.edu for distribution through E-Cards.
- Scholarship Committee - Sue Blumer referred the Board to the Committee's report for details on the selection of this year's scholarship winner. The Committee selected Krissy Jo Bergen, a single mother and a member of the White Mountain Apaches, a psychology major at ASU West.
- University Club Liaison - Jim Fordemwalt: no report
- Video History Project - Dave Scheatzle and Linda Van Scoy reported they had shown a video medley of the experiences of several members at the Annual Meeting. Bill announced that Linda would probably be leaving her position at the end of the year and that her replacement would be needed. He asked for help in finding volunteers to help her with this year's scheduling and arrangements chores.
- History Committee – Val Peterson referred the Board to the ASURA History Committee Report. The Committee is requesting that ASURA produce a printed version of the second edition of the ASURA History and consider seeking sponsorships for the printed version.

B. Events Committee - Subcommittee Reports

- Events Committee – Bill Moor suggested that the ASURA Vice President be the chair of the Events Committee and the group agreed this would be worth trying. Barry McNeill then presented a proposed ASURA Events Calendar for the year 2012/2013. The calendar along with short event write-ups is to be published in *Prime Times*. He reported that the chairs of the various Events Committees had met and agreed to the proposed calendar had agreed to write the short blurbs. Publishing the calendar in *Prime Times* has some benefits. One, it allows the members to see what is coming up and plan accordingly and two, it offers the organization an opportunity to reduce its mailing costs. Since so few (8 last year) “snail mail only” ASURA members attend any of the events, it is reasonable to stop mailing event announcements and to rely on the *Prime Times* calendar to get event information out to the “snail mail only” members. It was agreed to stop mailing for ASURA events.

- Luncheons & Special Events – Barbara Bradford Eschbach discussed upcoming events planned by her committee: the Meet/Greet in September, a Fall Luncheon to be held at Friendship Village in November, and the Annual Holiday Potluck in December.
 - Retirees Day – Barry McNeill: Barry reported that ASU would be charging ASURA a fee for use of all the rooms in the MU for its Retirement Day event. This would require that the ASURA subsidize the event if registration fees are to remain unchanged. Barry reported that the committee had not found another venue which was less expensive. After discussion, Dave Scheatzle proposed a motion that the Board authorize a subsidy of \$750 for Retirement Day. In a discussion, Barry presented an analysis of the event’s costs and revenues and a justification of the requested supplement (see attached reports). The motion was passed.
 - Seminars – Gary Kleemann: Gary reported that the Seminar Committee met twice to discuss the seminars for 2012-2013. The Committee proposed the following list: Genealogy (September, Bill Stasi), Medicare, Affordable Care Act, Social Security (early October), ASRS versus ADOA health plans (late October synchronized to open enrollment period), Financial Planning (March), Introduction to Financial Planning for Retiring Faculty/Staff (March), Volunteering or Assisted Living (April).
 - Travel – Gary Anderson: No report. (For a list of 2012/2013 travel events, see report, ASURA Events Calendar.)
- C. Finance Committee – Mary Stevens reported that several boxes of books had been received. For a list of books, see ASU Retirees Online Sales Report. Mary referred the Board to the Annual Review of ASURA Expenditures 2010-2011 – the Finance Committee audited last fiscal year’s financial reports and found them sound.
- Barry Bruns moved that the annual membership donation be increased from \$20 to \$30. Barry Leshowitz seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. The new membership donation will be implemented with the membership drive to begin this month.
- D. Government Liaison Council
- ASRS General – Dick Jacob referred the Board to the Report to the ASURA Board of Directors on the Meeting of the ASRS Board of trustees, April 12, 2012.
 - Legislature - Jerry Aronson: No report.
- E. Health Insurance Liaison Council – Doug Johnson, Rose Minetti: No report
- F. Membership and Communications Committee – Subcommittee Reports
- Membership Update - Elmer Gooding: see handout with minutes for current membership counts. A revised membership form for 2012-2013 was presented. The only proposed changes vs. last year’s form, other than the date, was to change the donation amount from \$20 to

\$30 and to add a spot to volunteer to help with the Golf Tournament. Val Peterson mentioned that the History Committee would like to solicit donations for printed copies of the “2nd Decade of ASURA” history. The proposed form, with revision to provide for the Printed History donation, was approved.

- Prime Times – Wilma Mathews: Report deferred to the next meeting.
- Web Site and Database – Connie McNeill: Report deferred to the next meeting.

VIII. NEXT MEETING

Special Meeting – May 23, 2012, 10 AM to complete the agenda from this meeting, in particular to consider the History Committee’s report.

IX. MEETING ADJOURNMENT

The meeting (Session A) was adjourned at 11:45 p.m.

X. CALL TO ORDER

President Bill Moor called the continuation of the last meeting (Session B) to order at 10 am.

XI. ADOPTION OF TODAY’S AGENDA

President Moor requested that the agenda be modified to include a discussion of the review of the bylaws and final committee assignments. The agenda was accepted as modified.

XII. REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF MAY 9, 2012 BOARD MEETING

President Moor requested that we not vote to approve the minutes of the May 9, 2012 meeting at this time. He asked further that today’s meeting be considered a continuation of the last meeting. He indicated we would ask the Secretary to combine the minutes of the two sessions and that the Board be asked to approve in September the minutes for the entire meeting. The Board approved the request.

XIII. STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS FOR THE UNIVERSITY (CONTINUED FROM THE MAY 9, 2012 MEETING)

- - A. Finance Committee – Mary Stevens: No report
 - B. Government Liaison Council
 - ASRS General – Dick Jacob: No report
 - Legislature - Jerry Aronson: No report
 - G. Health Insurance Liaison Council – Doug Johnson (ADOA), Rose Minetti (ASRS): No report
 - H. Membership and Communications Committee – Subcommittee Reports
 - Membership Update - Elmer Gooding requested that new retirees, as of October 1, 2011, be invited to the New Member Pizza Luncheon in September and that Barbara Eschbach sign the invitation. Connie McNeill volunteered to coordinate this effort. Elmer announced that ASURA needed volunteers to make presentations at the Pre-retirement

Meetings on June 20, June 27, and July 18, 2012. Several Board members indicated they would be able to cover these meetings.

- Prime Times – Wilma Mathews reported that there was still time to submit an article to Prime Time and that the next edition will include a number of photos and was just about ready for publication.
- Web Site and Database – Connie McNeill reported that she planned to work on a new web-based membership system over the summer. The new system, she anticipated, would be able to accept payments through credit cards. The new system would allow more people without special knowledge of the system to manage its applications. Over the summer, she indicated she would be reporting progress to the Executive Committee.

XIV. COMMUNITY OUTREACH COMMITTEE - SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS

- History Committee – Val Peterson referred the Board to the ASURA History Committee Report. The Committee is requesting that ASURA agree to produce a printed version of the second edition of the ASURA History in addition to an online version. If the Board agrees to this request the Committee also would like the Board to consider seeking sponsorships for the printed version.

Wilma Mathews reported that the cost of printing 750 copies would be about \$3500, which she hoped would be offset by financial support from sponsors. Barbara Shaw-Snyder offered to ask ASU Public Affairs to fund, on a one-time basis, the printing of the second edition of the ASURA History (second edition). Wilma indicated that the Committee would be seeking additional sponsors, for example, Karsten Golf Course.

Val made a motion that the Board approve the History Committee's request that the ASURA History (second edition) be published in a printed version in addition to an on-line version provided there is sufficient sponsorship and other financial support. The motion was seconded by Elmer and approved by the Board.

XV. NEW BUSINESS

Bill announced that all of the committee chairs are now filled. Arthur Ashton and Robert M. Moroney have agreed to serve as co-liaisons to ADOA. Bill announced the appointment of an ad hoc committee to review and revise the ASURA Bylaws. Past presidents, Elmer Gooding, Dave Schwalm, Val Peterson, and Mary Stevens (Chair) will be members of the committee.

XVI. NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be on September 12, 2012 at 10 AM.

XVII. MEETING ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 11:05 A.M.

Account Categories	Approved Budget	Actual YTD Amount	Budget Minus YTD	COMMENTS
ASURA Operations - Income				
Balance Forward	23,051	23,051	0	Balance Sheet Data
Events Registration Fees & Donations Collected	8,000	7,355	645	
Membership Donations ("Dues")	12,000	6,080	5,920	
General Operations Donations	3,000	1,013	1,987	
Total ASURA Operations Income	46,051	37,499		Includes Balance Sheet Data
ASURA Operations - Expenses				
<i>Printing and Mailing Costs</i>				
Annual Report	100	103	-3	Press run of 60
Events - Advertising	1,500	1,294	206	12 events @\$125/event
Board Ballots	400	371	29	
Gun Survey	0	186		
Membership Drive	1,050	831	219	Split with Public Affairs
<i>Other Operations Costs</i>				
Business Luncheons/Staff Appreciation	900	0	900	
Events - All Costs Except Advertising	8,000	7,576	424	Includes Meet/Greet & Holiday Potluck
Seminars - All Costs	750	263	487	6 seminars @125/seminar
Office Equipment & Supplies	3,500	679	2,821	
Retirees Day - Speaker & Guest Lunches	400	144	256	
Foundation Management Fees	900	471	429	
Transfer from Special Projects-Golf Luncheon	0	-4,562	4,562	Luncheon paid from Operations in error
Transfer to Special Projects for 2012-13 Scholarship	10,000	10,000	0	Current tuition is \$9,716
Total ASURA Operations Expenses	27,500	17,356		
Uncommitted ASURA Operations Funds	18,551	20,143		Includes Balance Sheet Data
Public Affairs				
<i>Printing & Mailing Costs</i>				
Membership Drive	575	326	249	Split with ASURA Operations - Expense
Prime Times	3,800	1,928	1,872	4 issues @ \$950/issue
Annual Meeting	175	0	175	
Retirees Day	250	324	-74	
<i>Other Public Affairs Operations Costs</i>				
Office Supplies	1,250	0	1,250	
Phone/FAX Service	100	0	100	Small allocation to cover long distance
Annual Meeting Refreshments	450	0	450	
Copier & Fax Maintenance	400	163	237	
Total Operations Expenses Covered by PA	7,000	2,740		

Account Categories	Approved Budget	Actual YTD Amount	Budget Minus YTD	COMMENTS
Special Projects - Income				
Balance Forward	9,807	9,807	0	Balance Sheet Data
Adopt-A-Family Donations	1,000	545	455	
Video History Donations	750	385	365	
Book Sale Net Income	200	893	-693	
Transfer from Operations for 2012-13 Scholarship	10,000	10,000	0	Current tuition is \$9,716
Total Special Projects Income	21,757	21,630		
Special Projects - Expenses				
2012-2013 Scholarship	10,000	0	10,000	
Adopt-A-Family	2,000	1,672	328	
Video History	3,500	1,413	2,087	No major equipment purchases this year.
Transfer to Operations-Golf Luncheon	0	4,562	-4,562	Luncheon paid from Operations in error
Foundation Management Fees	350	70	280	
Total Special Projects Expenses	15,850	7,716		
Uncommitted Special Projects Funds	5,907	13,914		Includes Balance Sheet Data
Scholarship Endowment Fund - Assets & Income				
Endowment Balance July 1	37,193	37,193	0	Balance Sheet Data
Invested Funds Gain (-Loss)	7,000	152	6,848	
Transfer to Scholarship Endowment - Spending	0	-959	959	
Foundation Management Fees	-493	-464	-29	
Current-Year Contributions	1,000	810	190	
Total Scholarship Endowment Assets & Income	44,700	36,732		Includes Balance Sheet Data
Scholarship Endowment - Spending				
Balance July 1	819	819	0	Balance Sheet Data
Payout from Endowment	1,000	959	41	
Reinvest in Endowment	0	0	0	
Scholarship Support from Endowment	0	0	0	
Total Scholarship Endowment Spending	1,819	1,778	41	Includes Balance Sheet Data
Total Scholarship Endowment	46,519	38,510		Includes Balance Sheet Data

MEET & GREET LUNCHEON - 9/14/2011

0.00 Registration fees collected
 0.00 Registration fees refunded
 0.00 Event costs - travel & related
 290.45 Event costs - food, entertainment & related
 0.00 Event costs - lodging & related
 0.00 Event costs - other

-290.45 Net gain (loss), exclusive of advertisements

251.36 Advertisements (printing/ mailing/overhead charges) - covered by Operations

-541.81 Overall net gain/loss

AUSTRALIA/NEW ZEALAND - 9/26/ - 10/28/2011

0.00 Registration fees collected
 0.00 Registration fees refunded
 0.00 Event costs - travel & related
 0.00 Event costs - food, entertainment & related
 0.00 Event costs - lodging & related
 0.00 Event costs - other

0.00 Net gain (loss), exclusive of advertisements

0.00 Advertisements (printing/ mailing/overhead charges) - covered by Operations

0.00 Overall net gain/loss

SOUTHERN ARIZONA TRIP - 10/25 - 10/27/2011

0.00 Registration fees collected
 0.00 Registration fees refunded
 0.00 Event costs - travel & related
 0.00 Event costs - food, entertainment & related
 0.00 Event costs - lodging & related
 0.00 Event costs - other

0.00 Net gain (loss), exclusive of advertisements

200.23 Advertisements (printing/ mailing/overhead charges) - covered by Operations

-200.23 Overall net gain/loss

HOLIDAY POTLUCK LUNCHEON/ARTS & CRAFTS SALE - 12/15 - 12/16/2011

0.00 Registration fees collected
0.00 Registration fees refunded
0.00 Event costs - travel & related
0.00 Event costs - food, entertainment & related
0.00 Event costs - lodging & related
56.68 Event costs - other

-56.68 Net gain (loss), exclusive of advertisements

0.00 Advertisements (printing/ mailing/overhead charges) - covered by Operations

-56.68 Overall net gain/loss

CHOCOLATE FACTORY/WRIGLEY MANSION - 1/19/2012

2860.00 Registration fees collected
0.00 Registration fees refunded
700.67 Event costs - travel & related
1951.96 Event costs - food, entertainment & related
0.00 Event costs - lodging & related
0.00 Event costs - other

207.37 Net gain (loss), exclusive of advertisements

189.14 Advertisements (printing/ mailing/overhead charges) - covered by Operations

18.23 Overall net gain/loss

PERU/AMAZON TRIP - 2/9 - 2/20/2012

0.00 Registration fees collected
0.00 Registration fees refunded
0.00 Event costs - travel & related
0.00 Event costs - food, entertainment & related
0.00 Event costs - lodging & related
0.00 Event costs - other

0.00 Net gain (loss), exclusive of advertisements

567.88 Advertisements (printing/ mailing/overhead charges) - covered by Operations

-567.88 Overall net gain/loss

RETIREES DAY - 2/25/2012

2880.00 Registration fees collected
 0.00 Registration fees refunded
 0.00 Event costs - travel & related
 2602.62 Event costs - food, entertainment & related
 0.00 Event costs - lodging & related
 0.00 Event costs - other

277.38 Net gain (loss), exclusive of advertisements

323.68 Advertisements (printing/ mailing/overhead charges) - **covered by Public Affairs**

-46.30 Overall net gain/loss

SPRING LUNCHEON - 3/14/2012

770.00 Registration fees collected
 0.00 Registration fees refunded
 0.00 Event costs - travel & related
 919.79 Event costs - food, entertainment & related
 0.00 Event costs - lodging & related
 0.00 Event costs - other

-149.79 Net gain (loss), exclusive of advertisements

33.72 Advertisements (printing/ mailing/overhead charges) - covered by Operations

-183.51 Overall net gain/loss

AZ OPRY THEATRE EVENING TRIP - 4/27/2012 (Incomplete)

845.00 Registration fees collected
 0.00 Registration fees refunded
 0.00 Event costs - travel & related
 1053.65 Event costs - food, entertainment & related
 0.00 Event costs - lodging & related
 0.00 Event costs - other

-208.65 Net gain (loss), exclusive of advertisements

51.22 Advertisements (printing/ mailing/overhead charges) - covered by Operations

-259.87 Overall net gain/loss

-12.17 Net gain (loss) - all completed non-fundraising events, exclusive of advertising

-220.82 Net gain (loss) - all non-fundraising events, exclusive of advertising

1293.55 Total advertising cost - non-fundraising events

ARIZONA STATE UNIVERSITY

Legislative Update

5/7/12

After 116 days, the legislative session came to a close at 8:25 P.M. on May 3¹, 2012, when the 50th Legislature adjourned Sine Die. As of 4:00 P.M. today, May 7, the Governor has signed 288 of the 1,395 bills introduced and vetoed 18. There are still about 80 measures that the legislature passed, upon which Governor Brewer has yet to act.

This has been a very successful session for ASU!

Our main priority of the year — Parity in per-student funding — is included in the budget!

The budget that was just signed by Governor Brewer includes an appropriation for \$11,971,100 in funding for Arizona State University - with a line stating that "It is the intent of the legislature to appropriate funding to Arizona State University and Northern Arizona University in fiscal year 2013-2014 through fiscal year 2016-2017 with the goal of achieving per student funding parity between the universities under the jurisdiction of the Arizona board of regents at the beginning of fiscal year 20162017."

The ASU community was heard loud and clear when it came to issues like keeping our campuses safe and gun free, as well as not burdening our students with a minimum tuition contribution requirement. The ASRS retirement contribution rate issue was addressed, and there were even successful bills that will promote and provide an agricultural classification for Algaculture! Our own Dr. Milt Sommerfeld, co-director of the Laboratory of Algae Research and Biotechnology, provided expert testimony on two algae bills this session.

Thank you all for the support and help over the session. We truly could not have had such a positive session without you.

Please be on the look-out for our official end of session Legislative Wrap-up Report, which should be out in the next week or so.

Also, please see an article from ASUnews about parity in the budget, as well as the just released signing document from Governor Brewer regarding the state budget — both are included below. Please forgive the loss of formatting in the Governor's budget document below, it is also attached.

If you have any questions or concerns please feel free to call or write. I look forward to meeting with you all soon!

Best,
Abby

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Statement from Governor Jan Brewer

Conservative Budget Plan Positions State for Future, Prepares for Unknown

"Today, I proudly signed into law a conservative and comprehensive budget plan that adds real **resources to our State's most critical programs, while setting aside dollars for the fiscal challenges that lay ahead.** I applaud and commend legislators of both chambers who worked with me in good faith to make this **possible.**"

"It is worth remembering how far we've come together. When I took office in January 2009, the State of Arizona faced an estimated budget deficit of nearly \$3.5 billion for the following year. On a per-capita basis, our shortfall was the nation's worst.

"The decisions that followed were the toughest of my career. Together, lawmakers and I cut spending by **the most in our State's history.** We asked voters to temporarily increase their own taxes — and they overwhelmingly agreed. We passed into law historic economic legislation, bringing the public and private sectors together with the Arizona Commerce Authority, and spurring business investment with broad tax reforms and targeted business incentives.

"We have begun to see these efforts bear fruit. Our State budget is balanced, with sufficient revenues to augment education, public safety and health and human services. Our Rainy Day Reserve is empty no longer. Best of all, the Arizona **economy is generating jobs in numbers we haven't seen in years** — 47,000 in February and March alone.

"This is all great news. When this budget process began, however, **I warned that 'we in State government must be mindful not to repeat the mistakes of the past, when economic recovery and fiscal exuberance too often went hand-in-hand — leading to unwise and unsustainable expenditures.'** It is with pride that I say this budget avoids that trap, while leaving Arizona better positioned for long-term prosperity."

NOTE: Budget highlights on next page

Budget highlights

This budget keeps the faith with supporters of Proposition 100

Promotes Education

- About \$175 million additional for K-12 and higher education
- \$40 million for early childhood reading assistance
- \$12 million for K-12 school repairs and maintenance
- \$700,000 for additional investigators to look into allegations of classroom abuse
- \$15.3 million for course redesign at ASU and NAU
- \$6 million for the University of Arizona Medical School

Protects the Public

- \$50 million to construct 500 maximum-security prison beds
- \$4 million to hire 120 additional Correctional Officers
- \$2 million for additional Highway Patrol vehicles
- \$1 million in emergency wildfire funding for the State Forester

Provides for Health and Human Services

- \$3.7 million to create a new investigative unit at CPS to handle the highest-priority cases
- \$38.7 million to augment State services for individuals with Serious Mental Illness
- \$25 million to prevent drastic cuts in safety-net services due to a loss of federal funds
- \$17 million to accommodate caseload growth in adoption services
- \$16 million to assist the State Hospital, rural hospitals and programs for Behavioral Health and the Developmentally Disabled

This Budget Modernizes State Government and Positions Arizona Economy

- \$7 million to boost State tourism promotion into new markets worldwide
- \$100 million for state, regional and local transportation needs
- \$82 million to modernize IT programs, including the outdated State accounting system (AFIS)

This Budget Spends Conservatively and Saves for the Future

- Fiscal 2013 General Fund spending (\$8.6 billion) up just 3.5% from fiscal 2012 (\$8.3 billion, as adopted)
 - Nearly \$700 million set aside or reserved in Rainy Day fund
 - Carryover leaves State better prepared for expiration of Prop 100 in 2013, possible implementation of ObamaCare in 2014 and other, unanticipated challenges
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State budget addresses per-student funding disparity at Ariz. state universities

Posted: May 02, 2012



It is unprecedented in the past 40 years of Arizona history that all three university presidents, the Arizona Board of Regents, the students, the legislature and the governor have come together and agreed upon a plan to address parity in student funding that has plagued the state for years.

Photo by: Tom Story

The Arizona Legislature has approved a state budget that includes a plan to address the per-student funding disparity at Arizona's three state universities.

The budget bills now go to Gov. Jan Brewer, who is expected to approve. The guiding philosophy of the plan is that every student attending one of the three state universities should be supported with a base-level state appropriation at the same dollar figure.

It is unprecedented in the past 40 years of Arizona history that all three university presidents, the Arizona Board of Regents, the students, the legislature and the governor have come together and agreed upon a plan to address parity in student funding that has plagued the state for years.

"Arizona State University thanks Governor Jan Brewer and the legislature for supporting the needs of our students in next year's budget," said ASU President Michael M. Crow. "This additional funding is greatly needed and will help us to continue to provide our students with an excellent education and enable us to serve the community and the state at the high level we have in the past."

Last year ASU received nearly \$900 less in state funding per student than the University of Arizona, while Northern Arizona University received nearly \$760 less per student than UA. These disparities were caused by explosive enrollment growth in the last decade at both ASU

and NAU, for which state dollars were not increased significantly. In fiscal 2012, UA got \$6,598 per full-time student in state funding, ASU got \$5,702 and NAU got \$5,840.

The plan is to phase in additional funding over several years, beginning in fiscal year 2013, to help ASU and NAU catch up with UA on a per-student funding basis.

The state legislature approved \$15.3 million in parity funding for fiscal 2013, with the rest to be phased in over four years. The change could eventually bring nearly \$60 million more annually to ASU and \$16.5 million more to NAU. UA would not lose or gain any funding under the proposal.

In the last decade ASU has developed into a major research university, ranking among the top 100 research institutions in the world. Enrollment and research growth drove changes in ASU's cost structure, which now approximates that of UA.

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Scholarship Committee Report 2012

The Scholarship Committee met on April 12 to select the 2012-13 scholarship recipient from 35 applications. All of the participating members had spent several hours reviewing them. We selected Krissy Jo Bergen, a single mother and a member of the White Mountain Apaches, a psychology major at ASU West. She has not yet been notified.

This year's scholarship recipient spoke at the annual meeting. He seemed eager to appear and brought a guest.

At the committee meeting, we discussed the matter of whether to split the \$10,000 award between two students. Four members voted against the change, and two were in favor. Reasons for not changing are briefly as follows: (1) The award has always been for the approximate annual tuition, which is now \$9,800, with other academic fees and books bringing the total over \$10,000; (2) The student and ASURA have a good identification of this student as our scholarship student, which might not occur if the student had support from several sources; (3) The larger award helps to enable the student to work minimal hours, insuring a good academic result and degree completion; (4) These older students tend to have less family support and more family responsibilities. The reasons in favor of splitting the award are: (1) The student should be providing more of his or her support; (2) There are at least two outstanding candidates; (3) The committee should have flexibility to decide the number of awards each year based on the quality of the applicants and award amount. The committee did not recommend changes at this time.

ASURA Calendar of Events

Starting with this issue of *Prime Times* you will find a calendar of ASURA scheduled events. Please review the calendar and note those events you would like to attend on your personal calendar (e.g., the first event of the year, Meet & Greet Pizza Party, on Wednesday September 12). You will find more information about the pizza party and the October trip to Santa Fe elsewhere in this edition of *Prime Times*. As other event dates approach you will find more event details on the ASURA Web site (<http://asura.asu.edu>). We hope that this calendar in combination with the ASURA Web site and event material contained in *Prime Times* will help the organization reduce its event advertising costs.

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ASURA Events Calendar September 2012 through August 2013

Month	Event	Day	Time	Description
September 2012	1. Meet & Greet Pizza Party 2. Seminar	1. Wed. the 12th 2. Thurs. the 20th	1. noon – 2:00 2. 2:00-4:00	1. Kick off for year's activities with ASURA Board & committee chairs 2. Seminar topic TBD
October 2012	1. Santa Fe Trip 2. Seminar	1. The 15 th - 18 th 2. Thurs. the 25 th	1. All day 2. 2:00 – 4:00	1. Multi-day excursion 2. Health Benefits & Open Enrollment
November 2012	1. Golf Tournament 2. Fall Luncheon	1. Mon. the 12 th 2. Thurs. the 15 th	1. 7:30 – 2:00 2. 11:30 – 1:30	1. Scramble format fund raising event 2. Lunch at Friendship Village + Music
December 2012	Holiday Potluck	Thurs. the 13 th	11:30 – 1:30	Music, crafts, food, and fellowship & bake sale (ASURA fund raiser)
January 2013	Day Trip	Thurs. the 17 th	8:30 – 4:00	Destination TBD
February 2013	Retirees Day	Sat. the 23 th	8:30 – 1:30	Education & Entertainment
March 2013	Seminar	Thurs. the 21 st	2:00 – 4:00	Seminar topic TBD
April 2013	1. Seminar 2. Annual Meeting	1. Thurs. the 11th 2. Sat. the 20th	1. 2:00 – 4:00 2. 1:00 – 3:00	1. Seminar topic TBD 2. Annual report to members of ASURA activities
May 2013	1. Spring Fashion Show & Brunch 2. Seminar	1. Thurs. the 9 th 2. Thurs. 16 th	1. 9:30 – 11:30 2. 2:00 – 4:00	1. ASURA members modeling summer fashions + Brunch 2. Seminar topic TBD
June / July 2013	No Planned Events			
August 2013	The Great Rivers of Europe	The 6 th – 21 st	All Day	Amsterdam to Vienna seen from the Rhine, Main and Danube Rivers

Request For Financial Support and Advice

The Retirees Day Committee requests the ASURA Board:

- commit additional financial support for Retirees Day by either agreeing to pay some portion of the room charges and let the committee set the registration fee to cover all other charges or to pick up those event costs not covered by the registration fee, and
- advise the committee on the desirability / acceptability of changing the event format in an effort to reduce the room fees (e.g., reduce the number of presentations per session to 3, reduce the size of the luncheon room).

Justification of Financial Support

The cost of offering Retirees Day has increased about thirty-three percent now that ASURA has to pay room charges. A review of alternative venues has not turned up any location that is less expensive (see Table 1) and so the issue is how to deal with the MU costs. The committee was able to have the room fees waived this past year but if the fees had been assessed Table 1 shows that the registration fee would have to have been \$39.57, almost \$10 more than the actual fee and \$15 more than the fee from the year before.

Table 1 – Comparison of estimated event cost at three different venues (based on 100 attendees)

Venue	Room Charges	Catering Cost	Registration Fee
Memorial Union	\$1,270	\$2,687 (2012 cost)	\$39.57
Sky Song	\$1,605	\$2,800 (estimate)	\$44.05
Tempe Mission Palms	\$2,180 (RFP)	\$4,000 (RFP)	\$61.80

If the registration fee is set too high we run the risk of discouraging members from attending. So what is too high? In order to get some sense of the impact of raising the registration fee, the 2012 attendees were polled and asked questions related to location, cost, and format. The information relative to the registration fee is shown in Table 2. A review of the table shows that while some ASURA members are willing to pay \$50/\$60/\$70 registration fees (double for a couple) this is not universally the case. When asked at what point they would *consider* not attending 58% indicated that they would at least begin to think about not coming if the fee were \$45. When asked at what point they would you not come, 16% said that would happen if the fee were \$45.

Table 2 - Results of 2012 Retirees Day Survey asking attendees to indicate a registration fee at which they would consider not coming and a cost at which they would not come.

Tipping Point Question	Total Response	Registration Fee					
		\$35	\$45	\$55	\$65	\$75	>\$75
Begin to think about not coming	65	20%	38%	26%	11%	2%	3%
Would not come	49	0%	16%	37%	14%	18%	14%

Given the data in Table 2 the Retirees Day Committee would like to keep the registration fee in the \$35 range which is only possible if the ASURA Board will approve funds to cover some of the room charges. The committee recognized that this would be a change in ASURA policy but there are already exceptions to the historic policy that events should set a fee that covers all costs except for advertising. The Fall Meet and Greet was given \$400 for food and the seminars have been given a “cookie & water” allowance. Paying for the presenters’ lunches is another cost which has historically been covered by ASURA. So the committee feels there is precedence.

Request from Retirees Day Committee Relative to Retirees Day Registration Fees

The costs shown in Table 1 are based on 100 attendees. Since the room charges and some of the catering costs are fixed, i.e., not dependent on attendance, Table 4 and Figure 1 (next page) give a better picture of the relationship between registration fees, attendance, and event revenue shortfalls and or surpluses. Figure 1 shows that for any fixed registration fee, as the attendance increases the revenue shortfalls steadily decrease and can eventually become surpluses. Table 4 shows that for a registration fee of \$35 there is a shortage of \$638 if 100 people attend the event but that this reduces to only \$176 if 150 attend. Figure 1 also shows that if the attendance is 100 then the registration fee has to be more than \$40 to break even.

The Need for Advice on Format Changes

The justification given above assumes that no changes are made to the event format however there are some changes that could be considered in an effort to reduce the room charges. Table 3 shows the impact on the registration fee for several different cost saving options. Since the room charges are about a third of the registration fee the suggested reductions do not have a particularly large effect on the registration fee.

Each of the suggested options for cost reduction comes with some loss in event quality. Rincon is not very big and is set up more for a board meeting; squeezing the lunch into one of the Ventana rooms will result in a more crowded (or intimate) luncheon feeling; reducing the number of presentations per session would reverse a long held practice. Since the reduction in registration fee is not particularly significant unless it is absolutely necessary the committee would prefer to not implement any of these changes but would like to hear from the ASURA Board relative to the desirability of making any of these suggested changes.

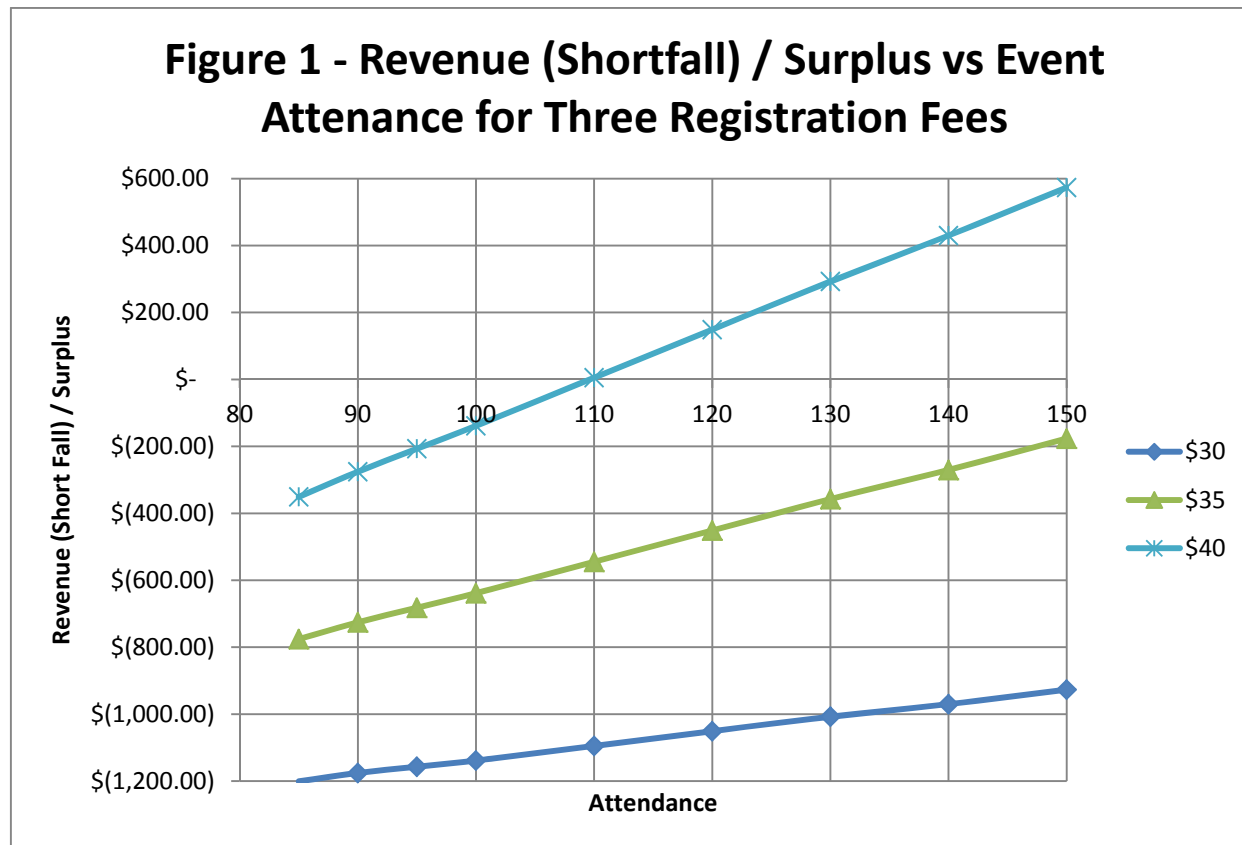
Table 3 – Impact of various cost reduction options on the estimated registration fee

Cost Reduction Option	Cost Savings	Estimated Registration Fee
No Change from 2012 (base case)	\$0	\$39.57
Replace Alumni Lounge with Rincon	\$210	\$37.47
Go to 3 presentations (drop Alumni Lounge)	\$350	\$36.07
Reserve only Ventana B	\$120	\$38.37
Ventana B + 3 presentations	\$470	\$35.87

Request from Retirees Day Committee Relative to Retirees Day Registration Fees

Table 3 – Retirees Day Revenue (Shortfall) / Surplus as a Function of the Attendance and Registration Fee

Reg. Fee	Event Attendance								
	85	90	95	100	110	120	130	140	150
\$30.00	\$ (1,200.74)	\$ (1,175.61)	\$ (1,157.05)	\$ (1,138.48)	\$ (1,094.79)	\$ (1,051.10)	\$ (1,007.41)	\$ (970.27)	\$ (926.58)
\$35.00	\$ (775.74)	\$ (725.61)	\$ (682.05)	\$ (638.48)	\$ (544.79)	\$ (451.10)	\$ (357.41)	\$ (270.27)	\$ (176.58)
\$40.00	\$ (350.74)	\$ (275.61)	\$ (207.05)	\$ (138.48)	\$ 5.21	\$ 148.90	\$ 292.59	\$ 429.73	\$ 573.42



ASU Retirees Online Sales Report

MarketName	City	State	Country	Title	Price
Ebay	Ludwigsburg		GERMANY	The Art of Mulan	\$55.49
AmazonMarketplaceUS	OXFORD	Oxon	UNITED KINGD	Generative Social Science: Studies in Agent-Based Computational Mod	\$39.93
AmazonMarketplaceUS	Elmwood Park	NJ	UNITED STATE	Robert Koch: A Life in Medicine and Bacteriology (Scientific Revoluti	\$23.76
AmazonMarketplaceUS	Kingston	RI	UNITED STATE	Immunology and Evolution of Infectious Disease	\$22.30
AmazonMarketplaceUS	Durham	nc	UNITED STATE	Chilton's repair and tune-up guide for the Dodge Dart & Demon, 1965-1	\$19.95
AmazonMarketplaceUS	Beverly	MA	UNITED STATE	Achieving Invisibility: The Art of Architectural Visualization and Rend	\$18.86
AmazonMarketplaceUS	Mahomet	IL	UNITED STATE	Questioning Collapse: Human Resilience, Ecological Vulnerability, and	\$16.43
AmazonMarketplaceUS	botucatu	sao paul	BRAZIL	Max Perutz and the Secret of Life	\$16.00
AmazonMarketplaceUS	Providence	RI	UNITED STATE	Landscape: Theory	\$13.37
Ebay	Glenview	IL	UNITED STATE	Tree Identification Book : A New Method for the Practical Identificatio	\$12.99
Ebay	CHICAGO	IL	UNITED STATE	Modern Carpentry	\$12.99
Ebay	Mc Donald	OH	UNITED STATE	The New Yankee Workshop: Outdoor Projects	\$12.99
Ebay	Robesonia	PA	UNITED STATE	The All New Good Housekeeping Cook Book	\$12.99
AmazonMarketplaceUS	Gillett	AR	UNITED STATE	Growing Fruits and Nuts in the South: The Definitive Guide	\$12.49
AmazonMarketplaceUS	LOS ANGELES	CA	UNITED STATE	Two-Spirit People: Native American Gender Identity, Sexuality, and Sp	\$11.90
AmazonMarketplaceUS	SHEPHERDSVIL	KY	UNITED STATE	American Indian Treaties: The History of a Political Anomaly	\$11.03
AmazonMarketplaceUS	Glen Allen	VA	UNITED STATE	Empire of Liberty: A History of the Early Republic, 1789-1815 (Oxford	\$10.50
HalfDotCom	LITCHFIELD PA	AZ	UNITED STATE	From Colony to Superpower: U.S. Foreign Relations Since 1776 (Oxfor	\$10.46
Abebooks	Copenhagen		DENMARK	Postwar: A History of Europe Since 1945	\$10.04

MarketName	City	State	Country	Title	Price
AmazonMarketplaceUS	CANON CITY	CO	UNITED STATE	The Story of Architecture	\$10.00
AmazonMarketplaceUS	Fremont	CA	UNITED STATE	The Expressionist Landscape: A Master Photographer's Approach	\$10.00
AmazonMarketplaceUS	Mississauga	Ontario	CANADA	Study Guide to accompany Managerial Accounting	\$10.00
AmazonMarketplaceUS	Fraser	MI	UNITED STATE	The Spiritual Path: Buddha Zen Tao Tantra	\$10.00
Ebay	Farmington	UT	UNITED STATE	1491: New Revelations of the Americas Before Columbus	\$9.79
AmazonMarketplaceUS	UPLAND	CA	UNITED STATE	The DOs: Osteopathic Medicine in America	\$9.78
Ebay	Springfield	OH	UNITED STATE	Creative Propagation	\$9.76
Ebay	Winthrop Harbor	IL	UNITED STATE	D.C. Dead (Stone Barrington)	\$9.23
Ebay	Riverside	CA	UNITED STATE	The Stanley Complete Step-by-Step Book of Home Repair and Improve	\$8.98
Ebay	Andover	KS	UNITED STATE	Life at the Bottom: The Worldview That Makes the Underclass	\$8.72
AmazonMarketplaceUS	Parkville	Victoria	AUSTRALIA	Seeing Landscapes: The Creative Process Behind Great Photographs	\$8.61
AmazonMarketplaceUS	SEATTLE	WA	UNITED STATE	The Scientific Life: A Moral History of a Late Modern Vocation	\$8.14
Ebay	San Augustine	TX	UNITED STATE	Fruit Trees for the Home Gardener	\$8.10
Ebay	kenmore	NY	UNITED STATE	Exploits of Sherlock Holmes	\$7.50
Ebay	Bloomington	IL	UNITED STATE	Woodshop Jigs & Fixtures (A Fine Woodworking Book)	\$7.48
Ebay	Prescott	AZ	UNITED STATE	Southwestern Landscaping With Native Plants	\$7.39
Ebay	Pasadena	CA	UNITED STATE	Why Evolution Is True	\$7.14
Ebay	Little Rock	AR	UNITED STATE	American Sphinx: The Character of Thomas Jefferson	\$6.98
AmazonMarketplaceUS	INDIANAPOLIS	IN	UNITED STATE	A Briefer History of Time	\$6.97
Ebay	New Providence	NJ	UNITED STATE	On a Pale Horse (Incarnations of Immortality, Book 1)	\$6.72
Ebay	Landis	NC	UNITED STATE	Making jigs and fixtures (The workshop companion)	\$6.61
Ebay	Austin	TX	UNITED STATE	Annals of the Former World	\$6.53

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Alibris	Lawndale	CA	UNITED STATE	Chilton's repair and tune-up guide: Mustang, 1965-73	\$6.52
Ebay	Austin	TX	UNITED STATE	Workshops You Can Build	\$6.43
AmazonMarketplaceUS	APO	AP	UNITED STATE	To Have and To Hold by Johnston, Mary	\$6.29
Ebay	Bloomington	IL	UNITED STATE	Shop-Made Jigs and Fixtures (Art of Woodworking)	\$6.26
AmazonMarketplaceUS	Los Angeles	CA	UNITED STATE	Early Royko: Up Against It in Chicago	\$6.08
Ebay	Albuquerque	NM	UNITED STATE	The View Camera	\$6.05
AmazonMarketplaceUS	EL MIRAGE	AZ	UNITED STATE	Arizona: A Cavalcade of History, Second Edition	\$6.05
Ebay	San ysidro	CA	UNITED STATE	The Red Convertible: Selected and New Stories, 1978-2008	\$6.03
Ebay	Elyria	OH	UNITED STATE	52 Country Projects for the Weekend Woodworker (Home Craftsman S	\$5.99
AmazonMarketplaceUS	CALEXICO	CA	UNITED STATE	The Brief McGraw-Hill Guide: Writing for College, Writing for Life	\$5.99
Ebay	Waldorf	MD	UNITED STATE	Consumer Reports 1999 New Car Buying Guide (New Car Buying Gui	\$5.99
Ebay	Saipan	MP	UNITED STATE	Studio & Commercial Photography (Kodak Pro Workshop Series)	\$5.98
Ebay	Temecula	CA	UNITED STATE	The Quotable Quote Book	\$5.96
AmazonMarketplaceUS	Montclair	NJ	UNITED STATE	Travels in the American West (Photographers at Work)	\$5.86
Ebay	long beach townsh	NJ	UNITED STATE	Cutting for Stone	\$5.72
Ebay	North Tonawanda	NY	UNITED STATE	The Torment of Sherlock Holmes	\$5.67
Ebay	Philadelphia	PA	UNITED STATE	Slaughterhouse-Five: A Novel	\$5.59
Ebay	Macomb	IL	UNITED STATE	The Bootlegger: A Story of Small-Town America	\$5.56
Ebay	Stafford	VA	UNITED STATE	Scooters: Everything You Need to Know	\$5.55
Ebay	Merced	CA	UNITED STATE	The Jigs & Fixtures Bible	\$5.52
Ebay	Oak Ridge	MO	UNITED STATE	1066: The Hidden History in the Bayeux Tapestry	\$5.46
Ebay	la quinta	CA	UNITED STATE	Secret Fighting Arts of the World	\$5.33

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Ebay	Mead	CO	UNITED STATE	Monument Valley: Navajo Tribal Park	\$5.25
Ebay	Los Angeles	CA	UNITED STATE	Wynn Bullock (55)	\$5.25
Ebay	Newalla	OK	UNITED STATE	Foods That Harm, Foods That Heal: An A - Z Guide to Safe and Health	\$5.19
Ebay	Washington	DC	UNITED STATE	Vegetarian Times Complete Cookbook	\$5.19
Ebay	Plano	TX	UNITED STATE	A River Running West: The Life of John Wesley Powell	\$5.19
Ebay	Clarksburg	MA	UNITED STATE	A Suitable Boy	\$5.19
Ebay	Krottendorf		AUSTRIA	Getaways: Carefree Retreats for All Seasons	\$5.19
Ebay	Millis	MA	UNITED STATE	A Place in the Country: Country Home Collection	\$5.19
AmazonMarketplaceUS	WILDOMAR	CA	UNITED STATE	In Search of Memory: The Emergence of a New Science of Mind	\$5.15
Ebay	LOS ANGELES	CA	UNITED STATE	Spirit Seizures (Flannery O'Connor Award for Short Fiction)	\$5.05
Ebay	Weston	MA	UNITED STATE	The Norton Field Guide to Writing	\$4.99
Ebay	Owatonna	MN	UNITED STATE	KISS Guide to Photography (Keep It Simple Series)	\$4.99
Ebay	Woodbourne	NY	UNITED STATE	Founding Brothers: The Revolutionary Generation	\$4.99
Ebay	Denver	NC	UNITED STATE	National Geographic Guide to America's Hidden Corners	\$4.99
Ebay	Murrells Inlet	SC	UNITED STATE	The Norton Field Guide to Writing	\$4.99
Ebay	Grandin	ND	UNITED STATE	Stews, Bogs, And Burgoos: Recipes from the Great American Stewpot	\$4.99
Ebay	Pine Lake	GA	UNITED STATE	Sotheby's: Bidding for Class	\$4.99
Ebay	Saint Peter	MN	UNITED STATE	Juicing for Life: A Guide to the Benefits of Fresh Fruit and Vegetable J	\$4.99
Ebay	pearce	AZ	UNITED STATE	Watch & Clock Encyclopedia	\$4.99
Ebay	Gainesville	TX	UNITED STATE	200 Farmhouse and Country Home Plans: Classic and Modern Farmhou	\$4.99
Ebay	Alburtis	PA	UNITED STATE	The Jimmy Buffett Scrapbook	\$4.99
Ebay	Alhambra	CA	UNITED STATE	We the Women of Hawaii Cookbook	\$4.99

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Ebay	Ladera Ranch	CA	UNITED STATE	Total quality control	\$4.99
Ebay	Bixby	OK	UNITED STATE	The Mcdougall Program: 12 Days to Dynamic Health	\$4.99
Ebay	Morristown	TN	UNITED STATE	Free Stuff for Seniors	\$4.99
Ebay	plattsburg	MO	UNITED STATE	Additions	\$4.99
Ebay	Chickamauga	GA	UNITED STATE	Cabinetmaking (The Art of Woodworking)	\$4.99
Ebay	Hiawassee	GA	UNITED STATE	Building Small Barns, Sheds & Shelters	\$4.99
Ebay	Mead	CO	UNITED STATE	Colorado Plateau	\$4.99
Ebay	Cleveland	GA	UNITED STATE	Molloy's Live for Success	\$4.99
Ebay	US	CA	UNITED STATE	Rosalind Franklin: The Dark Lady of DNA	\$4.99
Ebay	Marshfield	WI	UNITED STATE	The American Plague: The Untold Story of Yellow Fever, the Epidemic	\$4.99
Ebay	Poway	CA	UNITED STATE	Uncle Tungsten: Memories of a Chemical Boyhood	\$4.99
Ebay	Phoenix	AZ	UNITED STATE	Low-Water-Use Plants for California & the Southwest	\$4.99
Ebay	Inman	SC	UNITED STATE	Christmas With Southern Living Cookbook	\$4.99
Ebay	Long Beach	CA	UNITED STATE	Popular Science Woodworking Projects Yearbook, 1988	\$4.99
Ebay	Millersville	PA	UNITED STATE	Wood (Best of Fine Woodworking)	\$4.99
Ebay	Fayetteville	AR	UNITED STATE	"The No. 1 Ladies Detective Agency Box Set: ""The No. 1 Ladies Dete	\$4.99
Ebay	Independence	KY	UNITED STATE	Connections	\$4.99
Ebay	EAST AURORA	NY	UNITED STATE	Seldom Disappointed: A Memoir	\$4.99
Ebay	Lacey	WA	UNITED STATE	Look Homeward, Angel	\$4.99
Ebay	Woodville	WI	UNITED STATE	The Baron Range (Barons)	\$4.99
Ebay	Woodville	WI	UNITED STATE	The Baron War	\$4.99
Ebay	Woodville	WI	UNITED STATE	The Baron Brand (Barons)	\$4.99

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Ebay	Woodville	WI	UNITED STATE	The Barons of Texas	\$4.99
Ebay	Lewiston	MN	UNITED STATE	Norway (Insight Guide Norway)	\$4.99
Ebay	LOS ANGELES	CA	UNITED STATE	A Way In The World	\$4.99
Ebay	Albion	MI	UNITED STATE	In Fed We Trust: Ben Bernanke's War on the Great Panic	\$4.99
Ebay	Woodstock	IL	UNITED STATE	Over 150 Essential Jigs, AIDS & Devices for Today's Woodworker	\$4.99
Ebay	port carbon	PA	UNITED STATE	Drink to Your Health: Delicious Juices, Teas, Soups, and Smoothies Th	\$4.99
Ebay	CENTERVILLE	TN	UNITED STATE	Wood Heat	\$4.99
Ebay	Carefree	AZ	UNITED STATE	More Bread Machine Bounty	\$4.99
Ebay	westerville	OH	UNITED STATE	Warman's Flea Market Price Guide	\$4.99
Ebay	Columbus	NE	UNITED STATE	Choose to Lose: Revised Edition	\$4.99
Ebay	Peoria	AZ	UNITED STATE	Arizona Curiosities: Quirky Characters, Roadside Oddities & Other Off	\$4.99
Ebay	Roundup	MT	UNITED STATE	Cabins and Cottages	\$4.99
Ebay	Hollywood	FL	UNITED STATE	Mountains Beyond Mountains: Healing the World: The Quest of Dr. Pa	\$4.99
Ebay	palm coast	FL	UNITED STATE	Princess in Training: Princess Diaries, Volume VI	\$4.99
Ebay	Santa Maria	CA	UNITED STATE	Criminal Intent	\$4.99
Ebay	Billings	MT	UNITED STATE	Roadside Geology of Arizona	\$4.99
Ebay	Bulls Gap	TN	UNITED STATE	Prevention's New Foods for Healing: Latest Breakthroughs in the Curati	\$4.99
Ebay	Oxford	AL	UNITED STATE	The Other Side of the River	\$4.99
Ebay	Tehachapi	CA	UNITED STATE	Cactus Tracks & Cowboy Philosophy	\$4.99
Ebay	Odessa	TX	UNITED STATE	What's Worth Knowing	\$4.99
AmazonMarketplaceUS	EVANSVILLE	INDIA	UNITED STATE	Frontier Indiana (History of the Trans-Appalachian Frontier)	\$4.98
AmazonMarketplaceUS	Windsor Locks	CT	UNITED STATE	A.J. Liebling: World War II Writings (Library of America)	\$4.97

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AmazonMarketplaceUS	GARRETTSVILL	OH	UNITED STATE	The Ohio Frontier: Crucible of the Old Northwest, 1720-1830 (History	\$4.94
AmazonMarketplaceUS	NIPOMO	CA	UNITED STATE	The Man with the Getaway Face: A Parker Novel (Parker Novels)	\$4.92
AmazonMarketplaceUS	Chazy	NY	UNITED STATE	Exploits of Sherlock Holmes	\$4.78
Ebay	seattle	WA	UNITED STATE	The Secret Cases of Sherlock Holmes	\$4.74
AmazonMarketplaceUS	PITTSBURGH	PA	UNITED STATE	The Hand: How Its Use Shapes the Brain, Language, and Human Cultur	\$4.70
AmazonMarketplaceUS	LOS ANGELES	CA	UNITED STATE	How to Plan & Build Bookcases, Cabinets & Shelves	\$4.63
Abebooks	MUNITH	MI	UNITED STATE	Collecting and Using Classic SLRs	\$4.49
AmazonMarketplaceUS	VOORHEESVILL	NEW Y	UNITED STATE	How Markets Fail: The Logic of Economic Calamities	\$4.48
AmazonMarketplaceUS	WASHINGTON	DC	UNITED STATE	The Social Animal: The Hidden Sources of Love, Character, and Achie	\$4.45
AmazonMarketplaceUS	LITTLE TORCH	FL	UNITED STATE	Our Man in Havana (Penguin Classics)	\$4.45
HalfDotCom	bedford	TX	UNITED STATE	The ART OF GROWING OLD: WRITERS ON LIVING AND AGING	\$4.38
Abebooks	Treviso	TV	ITALY	The Desert Smells Like Rain: A Naturalist in O'odham Country	\$4.28
AmazonMarketplaceUS	WEST HARRISO	INDIA	UNITED STATE	Frontier Illinois (History of the Trans-Appalachian Frontier)	\$4.05
Abebooks	marietta	ga	UNITED STATE	Working Days: The Journals of The Grapes of Wrath	\$4.02

Gross Total: \$1,053.34

Subtract Market Commissions (15%):

\$895.32

Subtract Friends Portion (50%):

NET TOTAL TO YOU \$447.66

ANNUAL REVIEW OF ASURA EXPENDITURES

2010-2011

Per ASURA Bylaws, Article V.D.5, the Finance Committee conducted the annual review considering these documents: ASURA Annual Event Report FY 2011; ASURA Financial Report 7/1/2010 through 6/30/2011; ASU Foundation Summary Balance Sheet/Income Statement as of June 30, 2011 (operations); ASU Foundation Summary Balance Sheet/Income Statement as of June 30, 2011 (special projects); ASU Foundation Summary Balance Sheet/Income Statement as of June 30, 2011 (pooled endowment and endowment income). The Finance Committee unanimously agreed that the expenditures of the Association in 2010-2011, after consideration of the comments/explanations on the ASURA financial report, were reasonable and consistent with the budget. The Committee also verified that ASURA ending cash balances agree with the underlying Foundation records. Special thanks to Committee members, Bill Moor and Jerry Snyder for conducting the initial review to submit to the Committee.

Report to the ASURA Board of Directors on the Meeting of the ASRS Board of Trustees
March 20, 2012
Submitted by R. J. Jacob

Note: I use a three-star system in assessing the items according to my judgment.

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ASRS Board of Trustees Meeting, March 16, 2012

- ****Legislative Session Report** As I have previously reported, the retirement legislation in this session is primarily of a housekeeping nature, with little of interest to ASRS members. However, the following deserve some attention:
 - SB 1119 would require that an ASRS member who is married must name their current spouse as a beneficiary to receive at least 50 percent of the member's account, and at retirement is required to elect a joint and survivor annuity with the spouse as the contingent annuitant. The spouse may choose to waive this requirement.
 - HB 2571 is an attempt to place all state agencies under a one-size-fits-all personnel policy. This would render inoperable the current ASRS Employee Policy Manual, which has been developed to assist effectively both the employees and clients of ASRS. There are aspects of the ASRS mission which do not lend themselves to an omnibus employee policy.
 - There are various legislative attempts to reverse (with retroactive reimbursement to employees) the 53 – 47 contribution breakdown that was passed by last year's legislature, restoring the 50 – 50 split. This will likely be done in the budget bill.
- ***ASRS Total Fund Performance Review** This item took up the bulk of the day's meeting time. Both U.S. and International Equity Classes were reviewed in detail, with manager performance in each sector given close attention. The total fund rolling annual rate of return over a 20 year period is 7.9%, falling 0.1% short of the actuarial assumed interest rate of 8%. Details and rates of return over other periods are available in the agendas, copies of which are placed in the ASURA office.
- ***The value of the ASRS portfolio** as of January 31, 2012, was \$27,170,386,318, an increase of \$840M over December 30, 2011.

Report to the ASURA Board of Directors on the Meeting of the ASRS Board of Trustees
April 20, 2012
Submitted by R. J. Jacob

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ASRS Board of Trustees Meeting, April 20, 2012

- ****Legislative Session Report** As the legislative session winds down, there are some final actions on bills to report. Among the most pertinent:
 - HB 2088 This is an omnibus bill, sponsored by ASRS, which contains several housekeeping items. It was **vetoed by the Governor** on an issue involving ASRS's exemption from State procurement rules regarding the hiring and dismissal of investment fund managers. The Board and staff are working with the Governor's office to find an accommodation that would be acceptable to the Governor. The other provisions in the bill may find a home in other carrier bills.
 - SB 1117 involves ASRS disbursement and collection technicalities. **PASSED AND SIGNED BY THE GOVERNOR**
 - SB 1119 would require that an ASRS member who is married must name their current spouse as a beneficiary to receive at least 50 percent of the member's account, and at retirement is required to elect a joint and survivor annuity this the spouse as the contingent annuitant. The spouse may choose to waive this requirement . **PASSED AND SIGNED BY THE GOVERNOR**
 - SB 1194 again involves administrative technicalities. **PASSED AND SIGNED BY THE GOVERNOR**
 - HB 2571 is an attempt to place all state agencies under a one-size-fits-all personnel policy. This would render inoperable the current ASRS Employee Policy Manual, which has been developed to assist effectively both the employees and clients of ASRS. There are aspects of the ASRS mission which do not lend themselves to an omnibus employee policy.
 - HB 2038 This is an attempt to reverse (with retroactive reimbursement to employees) the 53 – 47 contribution breakdown that was passed by last year's legislature, restoring the 50 – 50 split. It appears to be on track for passage. It is on track for passage; ASRS is attempting to obtain some amendments that would exempt it from some of the bill's sweeping features.
- ***ASRS Director's Report** Director Paul Matson reported that
 - At least three new members of the Board of Trustees will be introduced at the May meeting.

- A ruling from the Maricopa County Superior Court reversed the current 53% - 47% employee-employer split on contributions for those currently employed, stating that the recently legislated split was unconstitutional. The issue is, however, as stated above, being addressed legislatively with more sweeping terms, i.e., retroactive reimbursement to employees and return to the 50 – 50 split for all, including future, employees.
- Improvements have been made on telephone response rates.
- *The value of the ASRS portfolio as of February 29, 2012, was \$28,037,078,696, an increase of \$870M over January 31, 2012.

Comment: This was the shortest ASRS Board Meeting in my memory and, as stated by the Board Chair, in history.

ASURA MEMBERSHIP TOTALS

2012 Membership Year

Counts	As Of 5/3/2012	As Of 5/4/2011	This Yr - Last Yr
Current-year Members	664	669	-5
Renewals from Prior Years (any prior year)	599	611	-12
New This Year	65	58	7
Paid for the Current Year, Now Deceased	4	15	-11
Last Year's Members Who Have Not Renewed	106	109 *	-3
Last Year's Members Who Are Now Deceased	24	14	10
Current Members by (Approx.) Time Since First Joining			
Members for 0-2 Years	104	159	-55
Members for 3-5 Years	217	175	42
Members for 6-10 Years	110	90	20
Members for more than 10 years	233	245	-12
Current Members by Communications Preference			
Prefer E-mail	346	N/A	
Prefer E-mail with No Obituary Notices	67	N/A	
Prefer US Postal (paper)	247	N/A	
No Mail of Any Kind	4	N/A	
Current Members by Former Employment Category			
Faculty	308	303	5
Staff	225	234	-9
Academic Professional	43	44	-1
Administrative	33	36	-3
Service Professional	55	52	3
Non-employee	0	0	0
Unspecified	0	0	0

More Counts	
Current Members by Address Location	
Arizona (Zip 85xxx and 86xxx)	598
California (Zip 900xx - 961xx)	12
All other	54

*This figure is as of the end of last membership year, rather than as of the date in the column header.

Name		Date	
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I. Provide us with current information about yourself.

RENEWING MEMBERS: PROVIDE ONLY INFORMATION THAT HAS CHANGED SINCE LAST YEAR.

Spouse/Partner			
Spouse/Partner is a member on his/her own	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	
Street Address			
City, State, Zip			
Telephone			
E-mail			
Preferred Communication	<input type="checkbox"/> E-mail	<input type="checkbox"/> E-mail, but no obituary notices	<input type="checkbox"/> US Post Office (paper) <input type="checkbox"/> No mail at all
If you give us your e-mail address we'll use it for most contacts unless you indicate otherwise here.			

ASU Employment/Retirement. Surviving spouses/partners, please provide us with your spouse's or partner's information.			
Status	<input type="checkbox"/> Retiree	<input type="checkbox"/> Surviving Spouse or Partner of Employee	<input type="checkbox"/> Current Employee
Date Retired			
ASU Unit			
Campus:	<input type="checkbox"/> Tempe	<input type="checkbox"/> West	<input type="checkbox"/> Polytechnic <input type="checkbox"/> Downtown
Employment Category:	<input type="checkbox"/> Faculty	<input type="checkbox"/> Academic Professional	<input type="checkbox"/> Administrative or Admin Faculty
	<input type="checkbox"/> Staff	<input type="checkbox"/> Service Professional	

II. Complete Volunteer Info (Page 2, on reverse). Tell us how you'd like to be involved with the ASURA.

III. Mail us this form and a check.

Annual membership donation	<u> \$20.00 </u>			
Optional added donation to help with operating costs such as mailing	<u> </u>	<input type="checkbox"/> \$10	<input type="checkbox"/> \$25	<input type="checkbox"/> Other
Optional added donation for our ASURA Scholarship Endowment fund	<u> </u>	<input type="checkbox"/> \$10	<input type="checkbox"/> \$25	<input type="checkbox"/> Other
Optional added donation for our Video History project	<u> </u>	<input type="checkbox"/> \$10	<input type="checkbox"/> \$25	<input type="checkbox"/> Other
Optional added donation for our Adopt-a-Family project	<u> </u>	<input type="checkbox"/> \$10	<input type="checkbox"/> \$25	<input type="checkbox"/> Other
Total donation	<input style="width:60px" type="text"/>			

Make check payable to ASU Foundation (ASURA).

All funds will be deposited with the ASU Foundation, a separate non-profit organization that exists to support ASU. Your total amount may be considered a charitable contribution. Please consult your tax advisor regarding the deductibility of charitable contributions. Foundation accounts: 30003614 for membership and operating cost donations, 40003616 for the Scholarship Endowment, 30004368 for projects.

Mail completed form and check to:

ASU Retirees Association
Arizona State University
P.O. Box 873308
Tempe, Arizona 85287-3308

VOLUNTEER WITH THE ASURA

The ASU Retirees Association (ASURA) is operated entirely by volunteers. Please indicate below if you would be interested in working with us in any of these areas:

Events Committee – Serve on a committee to plan activities and educational programs for ASURA members. Help to:	
<input type="checkbox"/> Luncheon Programs	Plan the Fall, Holiday, and Spring luncheons: locations, entertainment, menus, etc.
<input type="checkbox"/> Retirees Day	Plan the annual Retirees Day program: speakers, topics, luncheon, etc.
<input type="checkbox"/> Seminars Committee	Plan presentations/workshops on why/how-to topics related to retirement and aging.
<input type="checkbox"/> Travel	Plan and offer travel outings to members: local, state, regional, national, international.
Community Outreach Committee - Identify and promote opportunities for members to help and cooperate with others.	
<input type="checkbox"/> Adopt-a-Family Program	Purchase, wrap, and distribute toys, clothing, etc. for adopted families.
<input type="checkbox"/> Emeritus College Liaison	Attend Emeritus College Council meetings, facilitate organizational cooperation.
<input type="checkbox"/> Scholarship Committee	Select the best qualified ASURA scholarship recipient from applicant pool.
<input type="checkbox"/> University Club Liaison	Support the University Club and its use by retirees.
<input type="checkbox"/> Video History Project	Arrange for, conduct, and distribute video interviews of people with significant ASU history.
<input type="checkbox"/> Video Editing	Edit video of completed Video History Project interviews.
<input type="checkbox"/> Golf Tournament	Help plan a fund-raising golf tournament, and help recruit sponsors.
Government Liaison Council & Health Insurance - Provide liaison and advocacy to agencies as designated by the Board.	
<input type="checkbox"/> AZ Legislative Liaison	Track legislation, contact legislators, and attend hearings if desired. Inform members.
<input type="checkbox"/> AZ St. Retire. Sys. Liaison	Attend monthly meetings at the ASRS office to monitor plans. Inform members.
<input type="checkbox"/> Health Insurance	Monitor and help improve ADOA & ASRS health insurance for retirees. Inform members.
Membership & Communication Committee – Develop ASURA membership, promote and facilitate communication.	
<input type="checkbox"/> Event Photographer	Take photos at ASURA events and activities for use in ASURA publications.
<input type="checkbox"/> <i>Prime Times</i> Newsletter	Collect & edit stories, format the newsletter, arrange for distribution to members.
<input type="checkbox"/> Obituaries	Collect obituaries of ASU people and edit for use in ASURA publications.
<input type="checkbox"/> Web Site	Add to and maintain Association Web site content, http://asura.asu.edu .
<input type="checkbox"/> Other Forms, Publications	Help prepare forms, flyers and related publications that are distributed to members.
Board and Operational Support – Provide leadership and support for the overall operations of the ASURA.	
<input type="checkbox"/> Board of Directors	3-year term, monthly meetings Sept. – May. Help make decisions on ASURA issues.
<input type="checkbox"/> Finance Committee	Make recommendations that will help assure that ASURA has funding for its programs.
<input type="checkbox"/> Information Technology	Support ASURA's technology use – Web site, membership database, equipment, etc.
<input type="checkbox"/> Office Staff	Work a weekly 3-hr shift: answer phone, process mail, maintain computerized records.

Questions?

Find out more about ASURA and our programs on our Web site, <http://asura.asu.edu>. Or, phone our office at 480-965-7668. If no one is there (office staff are all volunteers), you can leave a message and someone will call you back.

Comments?

Please write any comments you may have about this form, ASURA's activities, or any aspect of ASURA.

Board Report and Discussion Item – ASURA History Committee

By Val Peterson, Committee Chairman

The ASURA History Committee has held four (4) meetings since its formation. Assignments have been made to committee members and they are responding commendably. The deadline for written materials from past-presidents was set for April 30th and the deadline for other written materials solicited from ASURA members is set for May 31st. Most of the materials from the past-presidents has been received and is in the process of editing. Some of the other solicited written materials with the May deadline has already been received and are in the process of compilation and editing. At this point the work seems to be progressing well and on target for completion by the deadline set by the committee for having a final product by the Annual Meeting in 2013.

One item that could affect this deadline needs to be raised. The authorization given the committee by the Board to produce a history of ASURA's second decade was for a digital or online version only. In our committee deliberations, concern has been expressed that this approach will most likely limit about one third of the current ASURA members from accessing this history since they are not computer users nor do they have access to the Internet. In addition, others who may have computers and Internet access may not want to read the history at their computer screen and may not want to download a 100+ page book. We have observed that many retired individuals prefer a hard-copy book rather than online books. And it should be noted that printed books introduce certain constraints not associated with online materials such as formatting, font issues, length of the book, photo insertions, printing time, printing costs, etc.

With permission of the Board, our committee would like to seek estimates for printing costs for a limited number of books or any number deemed advisable by the Board. In addition to non-computer using ASURA members and those who prefer a hard copy book, the committee has also noted that others such as ASU officers, administrators and leaders, ASU archives, Office of Public Affairs, ASU Foundation, presenters and speakers at ASURA activities and events, current ASURA members, new ASURA members and others may wish to read and learn more about the organization and its history. Obviously our committee recognizes that no commitments would be made until authorized by the Board.

The printed history for ASURA's first decade was approximately 100 pages. It appears that the new history may be closer to 150 to 200 pages given some additional emphasis to programs and activities not covered in the original history book and expansions of existing programs. Assuming the development of a printed version of the book, the committee suggests that sponsors for the book be considered to offset or underwrite the costs for printing. ASURA has had close working relationships with many operations and organizations both inside and outside the University that may wish to have their names listed as sponsors in our publication. Additionally, there may be individual ASURA members who would like to be a sponsor.

The matters put before the Board today for decision are: (1) Should the ASURA produce a printed version of the 2nd edition of the ASURA History and (2) If "yes," should the ASURA History Committee seek sponsorships for that printed version.