

**MINUTES OF 13 FEBRUARY 2018
ARIZONA STATE UNIVERSITY RETIREES ASSOCIATION
BOARD MEETING**

Board Members Present: Bev Buddee, Jay Butler, Larry Mankin, Connie McNeill, Jeri Meeks, Bill Moor, Kathleen Renshaw, Tara Roesler, Dave Schwalm

Board Members Absent: Tony Brazel, Barry Bruns, Betty Landon, Don Nilsen, Pat Schneider

Ex-Officio Members Present: Katie Aguilar, Stephanie Salazar,

Committee Chairs Present: John Brock, Bonnie Scheall

Executive Staff Present: Carolyn Minner

Guests Present: None

I. CALL TO ORDER

President Meeks called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

II. INTRODUCTION AND WELCOME OF GUESTS

President Meeks welcomed the Board. No guests were in attendance.

III. ADOPTION OF TODAY'S AGENDA

MSApproved unanimously.

IV. REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF 09 JANUARY 2018 BOARD MEETING

Minutes stand approved as written.

V. FINANCIAL REPORT / TREASURER'S REPORT – BILL MOOR, CAROLYN MINNER

Financial report was approved as presented.

VI. EX-OFFICIO REPORTS

- ASU Alumni Association – Rhonda McClintock
No report.

- Emeritus College Liaison – Don Nilsen
President Meeks reported on behalf of Don Nilsen. On Thursday, February 8, ASU's Project Humanities held an event entitled "Dispelling the Myths: Religious Doctrines and Religious Dogma." The event was held at ASU's West Hall, and the discussion involved the following world views: Sikh Muslim, Jewish Mormon and Atheist (Secular Humanist). The event was

enlightening.

Additionally, the Emeritus College's February Short Talks Luncheon is held today at Friendship Village. Dirk Raat, ASU History Professor, will talk on the subject of "Lost Worlds of 1863: Relocation and Removal of American Indians in the Greater Southwest." Mark Reader, ASU Professor of Political Science, will talk on the subject of "Art in a Time of Disintegration: On the Survival of the Human Species." The Board was invited to attend the presentation.

- Human Resources – Judy Cato
No report.
- University Club Liaison – Tara Fuchs Roesler
No report.
- University Liaison –Stephanie Salazar
Stephanie reported that the House has been busy; this is the last week they will be hearing bills. There are some bills to note.
 - HB2237** – Psychologists Licensure; Requirements: An applicant from a program that was accredited by the American Psychological Association, Office of Program Consultation, or the Psychological Clinical Science Accreditation system at the time of graduation.
 - SB1088** – Children; Veterans; Disabilities; Tuition Waivers: ABOR and community college districts are required to provide a tuition waiver to the child or dependent of a veteran whose disability rating is 30% or more, an AZ resident, and stationed in Arizona at the time of the injury. There are some additional stipulations. The tuition waiver will be reduced by the amount of any other federal aid scholarships or public grants.
 - HB2475** – Appropriation; Arizona National Guard; tuition: Appropriates \$1,446,000 from the GF in FY2019 to DEMA for tuition and fees for Arizona National Guard members.
 - SB1215** – WICHE; Continuation
The statutory life of the Western Interstate Commission for Higher Education (WICHE) is extended 8 years to July 1, 2026. Retroactive to July 1, 2018.
 - HB2481** – Foster Care Tuition Waiver: The ABOR and each community college district is required to provide a "tuition" (defined) waiver scholarship to an Arizona resident who was in foster care when the person was at least 13 years of age, was adopted from foster care and the adoption was finalized with the person was at least 13 years of age, or is currently in foster care and is at least 13 years of age, and who meets a list of other specified qualifications.
 - HB2280** – Universities, Lease-back Financing: The ABOR cannot enter a development agreement or execute a transaction for which a deed is transferred to the board and the board or university subsequently leased back to a private entity for commercial use, unless the property is used for

a primarily academic purpose, for student housing, or as authorized in section 15-1636. The Board cannot designate a new research park or increase the size of an existing research park without approval from the legislature. The Board will review all leases to make sure universities are compliant, and may not designate this authority.

Stephanie also noted that the budget request includes monies to bring state tuition funding closer to 50/50 for instate residents. President Crow will speak to tuition at the March ABOR meeting.

- University Senate – Tom Schildgen
No report.

- University Staff Council – Katie Aguilar
Katie reported that the PBS pledge drive is scheduled in March; volunteers are sought to staff telephones. There is a link on the StaffCouncil.asu.edu website to sign up for a session. The Tempe Staff Appreciation Barbeque is on Wednesday, March 21. ASURA is invited to participate with a table.

VII. STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. Community Outreach Committee - Subcommittee Reports

- Adopt-A-Family - Joan Leard
No report

- Scholarship Committee – Joy Shearman, Sue Blumer
President Meeks reported that this year’s scholarship recipient, Stephanie Renee Watson, has confirmed that she will speak at the Annual Meeting. Ms. Watson lives in California. After discussion, the Board voted unanimously to send a stipend of \$500.00 to Ms. Watson to cover her travel expenses. Ms. Watson will be asked to submit original receipts to ASURA following the event.

- Video History Project – Dave Scheatzle
No report.

B. Events Committee and Subcommittee Reports

- Events Committee Coordination – Barry McNeill
No report

- Luncheons & Special Events – Bonnie Scheall
Bonnie reported that the Spring Luncheon has been scheduled for March 20 at the Shalimar Country Club. Rob Spindler, ASU Archivist, will speak on saving ASU’s history. Email notice of the event will go out shortly to the membership.

- Seminars – Beverly Buddee, Trudy Perez

Bev reported that the Scamming Schemes and Fraud seminar is scheduled for Thursday of this week. There are 35+ registrants. The March seminar on emergency/disaster preparedness is confirmed with the speaker and on track. Electronic notification will be going out soon.

- Pre-Retirement Seminars – Trudy Perez
No report.
- Travel – John Brock
John reported that the Argentina/Chile Patagonia trip departs March 4. The next Tovrea Castle trip is scheduled for April 6. There is only 1 tour available this year so a lottery will be held of interested people, from which 12 names will be selected. April 17 is the date for lunch and afternoon lake ride on the Dolly Steamboat at Canyon Lake. Notice and prices will be sent out soon to the membership. Gary Anderson is arranging an Ancient Kingdoms: Thailand, Laos, Cambodia, Vietnam trip. Departure is September 24, 2018. 7 ASURA people have already signed on.

C. Finance Committee – Bill Moor
No report.

- Book Collection – Mary Stevens
No report

D. Government Liaison Council

- Legislature – Jeri Meeks
President Meeks reported that she had attended the Legislative Breakfast at which the 2018 legislative priorities were shared. The Capitol Times monitored the discussion, which was very general in nature. ASU Day at the Legislature is tomorrow (2/14). ASURA will be represented at the event.
There are a couple of bills of interest. SB1054 defines the process and criteria for employers who want to leave ASRS. This bill is moving through the Senate Rules and Finance committees.
HB2110 shifts governing responsibilities from ABOR to the “Governing Board of a University”, giving universities the freedoms to negotiate retirement and healthcare programs among other things.
This bill didn’t go anywhere in the house and has not been assigned to any Senate committees.
Vice President Roesler also brought up HB2034, which moves the role of “social security administrator” for Arizona from ASRS to a state agency designated by the Governor. There’s some concern about the fact that the new ASRS Board doesn’t seem to be very active in the legislative process and that this Board seems to be losing its

voice/influence in the government landscape. This bill has moved through the House and is now in the Senate.

- ASRS Liaison – Dick Jacob
No report.
 - ADOA Liaison – Larry Carlson
No report.
- E. Health Insurance Liaison Council
- ADOA – Larry Carlson
No report.
 - ASRS – Tara Fuchs Roesler
No report
- F. Membership and Communications Committee – Subcommittee Reports
- E-News – Barry McNeill
Barry advised the Board that the February edition of E-News would be sent today and would include a reminder to vote the Board elections.
 - Membership Update – Dave Schwalm
Dave reported that the current membership totals 701; this year's renewals totaled 443. The membership is not growing as quickly as desired. It will be interesting to see how many introductory members will continue the membership by paying dues this coming year. So far the pattern doesn't show an increase in membership after the free introductory year. Dave reported that 309 members have attended at least 1 event. There are 2 upcoming HR retirement meetings scheduled for this academic year.
 - Prime Times – Jeannette Robson
No report.
 - Obituaries – Becky Reiss
No report.
 - Web Site and Database – Connie McNeill
Connie reported that there has been an issue with Wild Apricot email blasts failing to multiple addresses. While the main problem has been resolved, after working with both ASU and Wild Apricots, a manual check is still required to assure delivery to all recipients.

VIII. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- Finance Committee Reports
No report.
- Annual Meeting Update
President Meeks reported that arrangements for the Annual Meeting, scheduled on April 24, have been finalized. Information for the ASURA event web page and member invitation has been submitted to the ASURA webmaster. She did mention that the Phoenix Art Museum has graciously offered free admission to the Museum following the meeting to all attendees.
- Nominating Committee report – Barry McNeill
Voting for the slate of Board nominees continues through February 28. The Executive Committee is scheduled to count ballots on March 1. Election results will be reported at the March 13 Board meeting.

IX. NEW BUSINESS

- Annual Report Articles
All annual report articles, including Committee reports, are due to President Meeks, copy to Barry McNeill, by March 31.
- Travel Committee Inquiry
The Travel Committee asked the Board for an opinion on whether it should cap the costs of international travel to accommodate financial considerations of more of the membership. The Board concluded no cap is necessary as those individuals with the resources and interest would travel; individuals without the resources or interest would not.

X. ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Next Meeting – Tuesday, March 13, 2018

XI. MEETING ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned 10:53 a.m.

Account Categories	Approved Budget	Actual YTD Amount	COMMENTS
ASURA Operations			
ASURA Operations - Income			
Balance Forward	28,933	28,933	
Current Year Revenue			
Event Registration Fees & Donations Collected	3,450	0	
Membership Dues	14,000	5,820	
General Operations Donations	2,500	470	
Holiday Bake Sale 2017	150	229	
5% Gift Assessment	-825	-316	
Transfers from Adopt-A-Family	-825	1,036	CC purchases charged to Operations in error
Total ASURA Operations Current Year Revenue	18,450	7,239	
ASURA Operations - Expenses			
<i>Printing and Mailing Costs</i>			
Annual Meeting	100	0	
Membership Drive	200	646	
Prime Times	400	715	
<i>Event Costs</i>			
Paid Events	3,000	180	Tovrea Castle (April 2018 Tours)
Meet & Greet (Refreshments)	400	423	
Seminars	150	0	
Holiday Potluck & Fundraiser	100	12	
<i>Other Operations Costs</i>			
Scholarship Award	2,177	2,177	Revised to \$5000 - \$2823 Pd from Scholarship
Business Luncheons & Service Appreciation	300	132	Parking for Tri-University Meeting
Technology Services	1,245	1,418	Wild Apricot & Zenfolio - Pantheon moved to ASU Allocation
Office Equipment & Supplies	2,000	111	
Marketing Tools	1,000	0	
Lobbyist Registration Fee	50	0	
Foundation Transaction Fees	200	11	
Adopt-A-Family Project	0	1,036	CC purchases charged to Operations in error
Transfer to Adopt-A-Family	400	400	
Total ASURA Operations Expenses	11,722	7,261	
Increase (Decrease) in Fund Balance for Current Year	6,728	-22	
Uncommitted ASURA Operations Funds	35,661	28,911	

General University Allocation (HR)		
Balance Forward	449	449
Current Year Allocation	7000	7000
Total General University Current Year Revenue	7,449	7,449
Expenses Charged to Allocation		
Annual Report	100	21
Bylaws & Ballots	250	0
Annual Meeting	800	0
Meet & Greet Luncheon (Printing/mailling invitation)	200	0
Office Equipment & Supplies	775	151
Prime Times Fall/Spring/Summer	2,000	908
Room Fees	100	100
Copier/FAX Equipment Annual Lease	1,143	1,153
Membership Drive	1,250	0
Technology Services	259	258
8.5% Administrative Service Charges	572	219
Total Subsidized Expenses	7,449	2,810
Uncommitted General University Funds For Operations	0	4,639

Special Projects		
Special Projects - Income		
Balance Forward	238	238
Current Year Revenue		
Friends/Phx Library Book Sale Net Income	1,500	513
Total Special Projects Current Year Revenue	1,500	513
Special Projects - Expenses		
Transfer out 1/2 of Book Sale Income to Scholarship	750	257
Transfer out 1/2 of Book Sale Income to Video History	750	257
Foundation Transaction Fees	100	26
Total Special Projects Expenses	1,600	539
Increase (Decrease) in Fund Balance for Current Year	-100	-26
Uncommitted Special Projects Funds	138	212

Adopt-A-Family			
Adopt-a-Family - Income			
Balance Forward	703	703	
Current Year Revenue			
Adopt-A-Family Donations	1,200	290	
5% Gift Assessment	-60	-15	
Transfer from Operations	400	400	
Total Adopt-A-Family Current Year Revenue	1,540	676	
Adopt-A-Family - Expenses			
Adopt-A-Family	2,000	1,036	
Total Adopt-A-Family Expenses	2,000	1,036	
Increase (Decrease) in Fund Balance for Current Year	-460	-360	
Uncommitted Adopt-A-Family Funds	243	343	

Video History			
Video History - Income			
Balance Forward	8,861	8,861	
Current Year Revenue			
Video History Donations	1,200	525	
Transfer in 1/2 of Book Drive Proceeds from Spec Proj	750	257	
5% Gift Assessment	-60	-26	
Total Video History Current Year Revenue	1,890	755	
Video History - Expenses			
Equipment & Supplies	100	3,463	
Electronic Storage Space	400	382	Premiere Pro CC Licenses (2 x \$185+tax)
Transcripts for Interviews (15 @ \$150)	2,250	0	
Total Video History Expenses	2,750	3,846	
Increase (Decrease) in Fund Balance for Current Year	-860	-3,090	
Uncommitted Video History	8,001	5,770	

Scholarship Endowment Fund			
Scholarship Endowment Principal (40003616)			
Balance July 1	57,759	57,759	
Invested Funds Gain (-Loss)	5,000	3,757	
Payout to Endowment Spending - FY17	-1,500	0	
Current-Year Contributions	2,000	390	
Foundation Management Fees	-740	-781	
Total Scholarship Endowment Principal	62,519	61,125	
Scholarship Endowment Spending (70003616)			
Balance July 1	2,824	2,824	
Payout from Endowment Principal - FY17	1,500	0	
Transfer from Special Projects (Book Sale Proceeds)	750	257	
ASU Scholarship	-2,823	-2,823	
Total Scholarship Endowment Spending	2,251	258	
Total Scholarship Endowment	64,770	61,382	

ASURA Event Report
1/31/2018

Event	Date	Registration Fees		Event Costs				
		Collected	Refunded	Travel & Related	Food, Entertainment & Related	Lodging & Related	Other	Net Gain/Loss
Meet & Greet Luncheon	09/12/17	0.00	0.00	0.00	422.73	0.00	0.00	-422.73
*Fundraiser Holiday Potluck	12/14/17	229.00	0.00	0.00	11.55	0.00	0.00	217.45
Spring Luncheon	03/20/18	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Tovrea Castle Tours	04/06/18	0.00	0.00	0.00	180.00	0.00	0.00	-180.00

Net gain (loss) - all completed non-fundraising events -422.73

Net gain (loss) - all non-fundraising events -602.73

ASU Retirees Association

Travel Committee Report

February 8, 2018

Submitted by John Brock, Travel Committee Chair

Upcoming events.

1. Argentina/Chile Patagonia region trip departs March 4, 2018 with 10 ASU RA members.
2. Tovrea Castle tour, Friday, April 6, 2018: this year we could only get tickets for the 8:30 AM tour. The number of tickets is 12. This is popular tour and this year will we gather names of those wanting the tour and then by lottery draw the 12 lucky persons.
3. We have set April 17 for a lunch at Canyon Lake (Tortilla Flat) and an afternoon lake ride on Dolly Steamboat. Maybe we will see some desert big horn sheep or other interesting wildlife. With the dry winter, wild flowers will probably be few. Once we know the prices we will prepare an e-flyer for our members soon. If there is enough interest we will look in to renting a small bus to ferry people to this event.
4. Ancient Kingdoms – Thailand, Laos, Cambodia, Vietnam. Arranged by Gary Anderson. Departure September 24, 2018. About 7 ASU RA people have signed on as of last week.
5. We have several other activities in the planning stages for next fall and year. So stayed tuned.

ASURA MEMBERSHIP TOTALS

2018 Membership Year

Counts	As Of 2/5/2018	As Of 2/5/2017	This Yr -Last Yr	More Counts	As Of 2/5/2018	As Of 2/5/2017	This Yr -Last Yr
Current-year Members	701	564	137	By Former Employment Category			
Renewals from prior years (any prior year)	443	455	-12	Faculty and Faculty w/ Admin Appt	285	255	30
Introductory members	258	109	149	Academic Professional	45	33	12
Paid for the current year, now deceased	2	4	-2	Staff	185	157	28
				University Staff (Service Professional)	156	92	64
Last Year's Members - Not Renewed	96	90	6	Administrative	30	27	3
Members last year, now deceased	9	13	-4	Having an Arizona Address	653	523	130
By Retired-from Organization				Level of Activity			
Retired from ASU	678	546	N/A	Checked at least one volunteer area	126	122	4
Retired from another university	2	1	N/A	Attended at least one event this year	158	120	38
Former ASU employee, retired elsewhere	4	5	N/A	Attended an event ever	309	282	27
Still employed at ASU	17	12	N/A	Logged in to Members-only Site (ever)	165	131	34
				Made an additional donation this yr	134	142	-8
By (Approx.) Time Since First Joining				Non-members in Database			
In Introductory Period	258	109	149	Was a member at some time	166	176	-10
Members for 0-2 Years (excl Introductory)	31	28	3	Never a member	477	622	-145
Members for 3-5 Years	65	51	14				
Members for 6-10 Years	137	163	-26				
Members for more than 10 Years	209	213	-4				
By Communications They Want to Receive¹							
Upcoming Event Announcements (e-mail)	590	444	146				
Obituary Notices (e-mail)	300	315	-15				
Prime Times (US Post)	641	499	142				
Other ASURA Communications (e-mail)	536	371	165				
None of The Above	8	11	-3				

¹All members receive the annual Board of Directors ballot, and membership renewal notices. Those with e-mail addresses also receive confirmation notices (by e-mail) about renewal, event registrations, and donations.

Note: Since membership enrollment forms are mailed in May, we begin processing them, with associated dues and donations, before the start of the membership/fiscal year. Therefore it is not possible to use these counts to determine the correct dollar value of membership dues in the current fiscal year.