## ASU Retirees Association 2022 Annual Meeting April 19. 2022 Meeting Minutes

The 2022 annual meeting of the ASU Retirees Association was held on **Tuesday**, **April 19**, **2022 from 9:30 – 11:00**. Trudy Perez served as the master of ceremony for the event. A video recording of the meeting can be found <u>here</u>.

Barry McNeill started the meeting by presenting the year in review. Some highlights from his presentation include:

- Annual report
- ASURA office re-opening
- Government liaison committee recap of the bills being monitored by the committee as well as other events the committee members attended virtually in the past year.
- The Finance committee report indicates that the Association is in good financial health. The Board approved the transfer of \$10,000 from the operations account to the scholarship endowment account to increase the amount currently in that account. The used book sale brought in \$5,000+ for 2021 Funds from the book sales support the scholarship fund and the video history project.
- The obituaries reporting responsibilities transferred from Becky Reiss (who managed these for over 20 years) to Tara Roesler.
- Membership continues to show a gradual increase.
- Two outdoor social events were held this year, one in December and one in March. It is hoped that the number of in-person social events will increase in the coming year.
- Seminar committee continues to provide interesting and well attended seminars. This year the seminars were opened up to participants from NAU and UArizona.
- Pre-retirement seminars have increased to being held on a monthly basis.
- Two new websites were introduced this past year a revamp of the main ASURA website and a new website for volunteers that contains a description of the various positions and committees within ASURA and the responsibilities that go along with them.

Dr. Amanda Burke, Executive Vice President of the Center for the Future of Arizona (CFA) was the guest speaker for the meeting. She provided background on the mission of the CFA. She then went on to discuss the Gallup poll that was held throughout Arizona and the results of that poll which is providing the foundation for a 10-year action agenda. Links to her presentation, the Gallup poll and the action agenda can be found as follows:

- <u>Dr. Burke's presentation</u>
- Gallup poll
- Action Agenda

Joy Sherman introduced the ASURA scholarship recipient, Brittany Gearhart who thanked the Association and gave a short biography of her life growing up in Mesa to her current role as student and mother.

Carl Cross thanked all the volunteers who worked with the Association over the past year and then transferred the gavel over to Bill Stasi, the new ASURA president for 2022-23. Bill

introduced the new Board Members – Jo Ellen Alberhasky, Partha Dasgupta, Bev Buddee, and Terrie Ekin.

The meeting concluded with Trudy thanking everyone for attending and inviting us to partake in a virtual piece of carrot cake (carrot cake being the traditional dessert of our in-person annual meetings)!