

**MINUTES OF October 08, 2024  
ARIZONA STATE UNIVERSITY RETIREES ASSOCIATION  
BOARD MEETING**

**Board Members Present:** Maria Hesse, Beverley Budee, Jeffrey Bush, Carl Cross, Partha Dasgupta, Don Doerres, Theresa Eken, Rodney Rogers, Will Stasi, Jan Meyer Thompson, Paul Skiera

**Board Members Absent:** Jo Ellen Alberhasky, Kay Faris, Caroline Harrison, Richard Knopf, Karen Moses

**Ex-Officio Members Present:**

**Committee Chairs Present:** Barry McNeill, Connie McNeill, Pat Schneider, Jan Shore

**Executive Staff Present:**

**Guests Present:**

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

Board president Maria Hesse called the meeting to order at 10:00 am.

**II. INTRODUCTIONS AND WELCOME TO GUESTS**

Maria announced two new board members. Karen Moses is also the Vice president and will be the future President. Paul Skiera introduced himself and his career in Education Technology.

**III. ADOPTION OF TODAY'S AGENDA**

Agenda was adopted.

**IV. REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF the previous BOARD MEETING**

After a discussion on modifications Jeff called for a motion to accept, Jan seconded. Accepted unanimously.

**V. FINANCIAL REPORT/TREASURER'S REPORT – Jeff Bush/Terrie Eken**

Terrie reported that everything “looks good”.

**VI. EX-OFFICIO REPORTS (5 minutes or less, please)**

- ASU Alumni Association – Tim Desch
- Emeritus College Liaison – Myles Lynk  
Maria noted Myles is now the Dean of the Emeritus College. He has been in touch and wants ASURA participation in the Emeritus College Annual Symposium.

- Human Resources – Jarred Elias
- University Club Liaison – Tara Roesler
- University Liaison – Kendra Burton
- University Senate – Greg Stone
- University Staff Council – Shawn Banzhaf

**VII. STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS (5 minutes or less please)**

- Community Outreach Committee – Subcommittee Reports
  - Adopt-A-Family – Ginny Sylvester
  - Scholarship Committee – Jan Shore  
This is not the busy time of the year for the committee. The scholarship announcement will be published shortly. A few new members will join the committee.
  - Video History Project – Don Doerres  
Not much new but everything is ready to go.
- Events Committee & Subcommittee Reports
  - Events Committee Coordination – Trudy Perez
  - Luncheons & Special Events – Kay Faris  
Maria reported that Kay thanked everyone’s participation in the Meet and Greet and the Fall event is being planned.
  - Seminars – Karen Moses  
Pat reported there are 2 seminars coming up, next week is on ASRS/ADOA open enrollment and Oct 31 is on Medicare. Bev reported that in January Stephanie Givens will speak on Elder Law and Estate Planning.
  - Pre-Retirement Seminars – Trudy Perez, Liz Badalamenti
  - Travel – John Brock  
Couple of announcements for local events have gone out. Nothing new to report.  
Barry requested travel stories from the travel events that happen.
- Finance Committee – Barry McNeill
  - Jerry Snyder has been contacted for the annual review.
- Government Liaison Council
  - Legislature –
- Health Insurance Liaison Council
  - ASRS – Dick Jacob
  - ADOA – Larry Carlson

- Membership and Communications Committee – Subcommittee Reports
  - E-News – Barry McNeill  
The Social Security Newsletter will be referenced in some future E-News.
  - Membership Update –  
Connie reported that she processed 103 new membership renewals recently. The renewals are about 50% by check and the rest in credit cards or other online methods. Extra donations are also being received and larger amounts are acknowledged in writing.
  - Obituaries – Tara Roesler
  - Prime Times – Jeannette Robson  
Next edition is being printed.
  - Web Site – Connie McNeill, Barry McNeill  
The subscription for 2 years has been paid.
  - Database – Paul Harper  
Paul will be sending letters to new retirees in mid-October.

#### **VIII. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

- D&O Insurance: Maria reached out to an insurance broker, and we have a binding contract, but details will be available soon. The cost is \$736/yr. The people covered on this insurance will be all board, officer and committee chair positions, as long as these are named in the Bylaws.
- After some discussion on the D&O insurance and Bylaws, it was decided that the Bylaws need review and possible updating. Karen Moses, Kay Faris, Connie McNeill, Maria Hesse and Jeff Bush were named to the committee to review the Bylaws.
- Jeff reported that the travel committee is in deliberations about the AROHE Travel Institute partnership. ASURA may need a representative for AROHE travel liaison.
- Barry said we need a position similar to ex-officio members for a person from AROHE to present AROHE events to the ASURA board. Pat Scheider and Bill Verdini are possible candidates.
- A promotional Video for ASURA is needed. Barry will put a slideshow together.
- Emeritus College 15<sup>th</sup> Annual Symposium, featuring Adrian Fontes will be held Sat Nov 16. They would like ASURA participation. Rodney and Jan will participate. Emeritus College would like a representative from ASURA for their council meetings. Maria will take that role.

#### **IX. NEW BUSINESS**

#### **X. ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- Next Meeting – **Nov 12, 2024 in person at CSB 203A**  
9:15 am Executive Committee  
10:00 am Board Meeting

#### **XI. MEETING ADJOURNMENT**

Meeting adjourned at 11:20 am.