

Senior Academy Board Meeting
Thursday, April 9, 2009

Board members present

Marge Applegate, Ted Cutshall Noel Duerden, Mark Grove, Mary Grove, Joe Hingtgen, Giles Hoyt, Carlyn Johnson, Golam Mannan, Shirley Newhouse, Richard Patterson, Leon Rand, Sheldon Siegel, William Voos, Harriet Wilkins

Committee chairs present

Walt Linne (Communications), Art Mirsky (Scholarships)

Call to order

President Bill Voos called the meeting to order at 10:10 A.M.

Approval of minutes

The minutes of the March 12 meeting were approved.

President's remarks

- Last Lecture: President Bill Voos reminded board members of the Last Lecture on April 17 at 3:00 P.M. and encouraged board members to help assure a good attendance. Postcards have been sent to SA members, and extra postcards can be given to friends. Bill said that he took postcards to Oasis. The staff of Oasis will distribute the postcards.
- Oasis has invited SA members to participate in its activities. Carlyn Johnson endorsed the Oasis elementary school tutoring program, in which she participates; and Leon Rand, who volunteers at the Indianapolis Museum of Art, pointed out that Oasis does video conferencing with the IMA.
- Bill reminded members of the Wildflower program and hike at Holliday Park, at 10:00 A.M. also on April 17.
- Bill suggested that the last Board meeting of the year should not be in conjunction with the June 3 annual meeting, but should be held the following week, on Thursday, June 11. Board members agreed.
- Bill said he will give a presentation at the luncheon for retiring faculty on May 6. He thanked Harriet Wilkins, Joe Hingtgen, Shirley Newhouse, and Giles Hoyt for staffing tables at the employee pre-retirement program sponsored by IUPUI Human Resources.
- Bill thanked Jean Gnat, Shelley Hunter of the IU Foundation, and Dean Sukhatme's office for their work in planning the April 9 Scholarship reception, which will honor Art and Patricia Mirsky. He complimented Golam Mannan, Shelley Hunter and Suzanne Vick, IUPUI Coordinator for Campus Pride, Spirit and Tradition for their work on the Last Lecture program.

Treasurer's report

Shirley Newhouse reported that the Scholarship accounts continue to diminish by modest amounts because of the weak market. However, there have been contributions to each of the scholarship funds, and the funds remain solid. As of March 31, 2009, the balances are: \$31,465 (Returning Students), \$28,129 (IPS Students), and \$32,416 (Academic Scholarships). In addition, SA had \$4,609 in its Foundation fund and \$5,103 in the checking account.

Scholarship Committee report

Chair Art Mirsky reported on the number of applicants, their qualifications, and choices made by the committee. Awards were offered to highly qualified applicants in all three categories—IPS,

Academic, and Returning Student (who has not been enrolled in higher education for 5 years or more). Art noted that the Scholarship committee did an outstanding job.

Social Committee report

Carolyn Tungate has planned the last Social Committee event of the academic year, a Tuesday, May 12th trip to the Kokomo Opalescent Glass Manufacturer, 1310 S. Market, Kokomo, followed by lunch at Pastarific Restaurant, 3001 S. Webster, Kokomo.

Last Lecture committee

Chair Golam Mannan reported that everything is on schedule for the Last Lecture on Friday, April 17, at 3:00 P.M. The recipient, Dr. Robert Einterz, has stated that he will donate the \$2,000 honorarium to AMPATH (the Academic Model for the Prevention and Treatment of HIV/AIDS) in Kenya, to help a single mother in starting a small bakery. Golam said that Chancellor Bantz and Dean Brater will introduce Dr. Einterz; Bill Heller will present the honorarium; and Bill Voos will present the Bepko Medallion to Dr. Einterz.

Annual meeting

Bill Voos announced that the annual meeting will take place at 4:00 P.M. on Wednesday, June 3, and asked board members to email items for the agenda. Harriet Wilkins said that the scholarship recipients will be invited.

Harriet distributed draft revisions to the By-laws, and board members offered suggestions. Harriet will check the website to assure that the latest version of the by-laws is the one posted. Harriet also presented the ballot of board members for 2009-2011. All eligible current board agreed to be nominated. Harriet noted that the terms of 8 board members expire in 2010.

Member Survey

Richard Patterson and Mark Grove reported that 51 surveys have come in so far. An additional 4-5 were returned with incorrect addresses. About two-thirds of the respondents identified themselves on the questionnaire. There were some good suggestions for programs and social activities and some cordial notes from retirees about their interests and activities. Mark is preparing a spreadsheet to record responses. Results will be shared with the board and committee chairs.

Other Business

Looking forward to next academic year, Carlyn Johnson and Mary Grove mentioned plans for a shuttle-bus tour of the campus September, to be jointly sponsored by the Social and Program committees. Also planned are an informational program in October and a Social committee-sponsored group tour of a special exhibit at the Indianapolis Museum of Art in November. Golam Mannan distributed CDs of the music performed at the opening of the Senior Academy room in the new campus center and the "Brown County Rag," both pieces composed and performed by Jim Kessler. Giles Hoyt announced a South American wine tasting at the Faculty Club on April 23.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 11:20 A.M.