# Senior Academy Board Meeting Park 100 March 14, 2013

**Members present:**, Pat Blake, Bill Bosron, Nancy Chism, Carlyn Johnson, Walt Linne, John Paulsrud, Sharon Peterman, Randy Strate, Becky VanVoorhis, Rosalie Vermette, Harriet Wilkins, Kathryn Wilson

Members absent: Nan Bohan, , Golam Mannan, Jeffery Vessely

**Guest present:** Fred Clock

#### Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by President Walt Linne at 10:05 a.m.

#### Minutes

The minutes of the Feb. 14 meeting were approved as distributed.

# President's Report

Walt reported that the focus of the Campus Campaign this year will be student scholarships. The letter from the Senior Academy will request that members direct their gifts to the Senior Academy scholarships.

The plans for the Last Lecture on March 22 are in good shape. It was suggested that next year the committee consider advancing the schedule in order to give additional time for planning and publicity. The Board agreed to thank Golam Mannan at the Annual Meeting with a \$100 gift card for his five years of service as chair of the Last Lecture Committee.

The Annual Meeting will be held on June 7 at the Atheneum. Executive Vice-Chancellor Nasser Paydar will be the speaker.

The 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Senior Academy will be celebrated on September 20. A committee of Bill Bosron, Lee McLaughlin, and Margie Smith, with Walt as chair, has been appointed to plan the event.

The request for suggestions for nominations to the Board for 2013-2015 has been distributed to Senior Academy members.

Committees need to prepare their annual reports for distribution at the Annual Meeting. Walt also reminded committees to prepare descriptions of their work for inclusion in the procedures notebook.

# Treasurer's Report

Randy presented the treasurer's report for December, January, and February, with the following account balances:

Returning Student Scholarship	\$53,778.43
IPS Scholarship	\$48,260.15
Academic Scholarship	\$43,344.60
SA Fund	\$8,952.93
Checking Account	\$6,570.81

In response to requests for information about recent donors to the scholarship funds, Randy replied that the Senior Academy does not receive this information from the IU Foundation. The Board asked Randy to ask our IU Foundation contact person how we can obtain this information so that the Senior Academy can also send letters of appreciation to donors. Nancy asked whether additional revenues from the scholarship funds could be used for student scholarships rather than continual reinvestment, given the size of the balances.

The Board also raised questions about the expenditure from the checking account for the holiday dinner. In the past, this expenditure has been off-set by payments by the people who attended the dinner. Randy will check with Lee to determine whether some of the income listed as "dues payments" should instead have been listed as holiday dinner tickets.

## **Standing Committees**

# Membership Committee

The Board discussed the request from the Membership Committee for funds to purchase give-away items for use at the IUPUI Human Resources pre-retirement symposium. The motion (Becky/Rosalie) to authorize up to \$300 for this purpose was passed. The Membership Committee, with advice from the Communications Committee, will select an appropriate item.

### Program Committee.

Several criticisms of the reservation form for the Last Lecture were expressed including the absence of a space for guests. The Last Lecture Committee was asked to note these criticisms and share them next year with the university offices that handle publicity for the Lecture.

At 10:00 on March 21 at the IUPUI Park 100 Learning Center, Dr. Richard Gunderman will give a presentation on the Rappites and New Harmony. This will be in preparation for the spring outing.

Information about the spring outing to New Harmony fom May 1-3 has been sent to the listsery. The special group rates at the hotel will apply until April 1. Several board members indicated that they have already made their reservations.

#### Communications

John reported on his investigation of how to obtain access for retired staff members to Microsoft software at the university's rates. Microsoft allows only affiliates of established contract holders to have such access. After considerable discussion of how to have the Senior Academy's status as an "affiliate" confirmed, the Board approved the following motion (Rosalie/Sharon): that John be authorized to continue to negotiate for access to software for lifetime members of the Senior Academy. It was suggested that John ask Executive Vice-Chancellor Paydar for assistance.

## Other Business

## By-laws Update

The Board approved the motion by Bill, seconded by Kathryn, to change references to the Dean of Faculties in the Senior Academy by-laws to the new title "Executive Vice-Chancellor."

# Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 11:40.

Harriet Wilkins, Secretary

APPROVED: April 11, 2013, as amended.