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UNCG ASSOCIATION OF RETIRED FACULTY (ARF) Board Meeting

Wednesday, 1/15/2020, Conference Room 102, UTLC, 1100 West Market Street

In Attendance

Sue Dennison, President; Betsy Lindsey, Vice President; Ken Caneva, Treasurer; Vicki McCready, Secretary; Barbara Levin, At-Large; Nancy Ryckman, At-Large; Diane Gill, At-Large; Tim Johnston, University Representative

Lyn Mankoff, At-Large, sent her regrets.

Quick Update

We each shared the best part of our holiday season.

Approval of Minutes from October 30, 2019

Approved as corrected. Barb has converted all of our Minutes to PDFs and sent them to Steve Yarborough who will post them as links on our website.

Update on Membership (Betsy)

Current Membership Status as of January 14, 2020

Membership Type	Current	Not Current	Total
LIFE	30*	NA	30*
Associate LIFE	6	NA	6
Annual	4	15	19
Annual Associate	0	3	4
Totals	40	20	60*

* Does not include McGee (see below New Members)

Renewals

We now have 40 current members who have renewed. As a reminder, at our August meeting, we decided not to ask members who joined in 2019 to renew their memberships until 2020. On 10/16/19 Betsy emailed renewal notices to other members,

all of whom joined in 2018 (see list below) who had not renewed. In response to that email, we received **two renewals**. *Do Board members who know these folks want to follow up individually?*

Annual Members Who Did Not Renew

1. Andrew Brod <acbrod@uncg.edu>,
2. Ron Cassel <rdcassel@yahoo.com>
3. Elizabeth Chiseri-Strater e_chiser@uncg.edu
4. Colette Edwards cmedwar2@gmail.com
5. Nancy Fogarty Nancy_Fogarty@uncg.edu
6. Aubrey Garlington asg27@netscape.com (note: partner/spouse joined in 2019)
7. Jane Harris janedh2002@yahoo.com
8. Elizabeth Keathley elkeathl@uncg.edu
9. Eileen Kohlenberg egkohlen@uncg.edu
10. Michael McIntosh MKMCINTO@uncg.edu
11. Jerry Pubantz j_pubant@uncg.edu
12. Louise Raleigh Louiseraleigh1@gmail.com
13. Paul Stewart pbstewar@uncg.edu
14. Anne Wallace adwallac@uncg.edu

Lyn Mankoff (joined 1/25/18) should have received this email but didn't. I'll follow up with her.

Annual Associate Members (all joined 1/25/18) (N=4, but 3 are not current)

1. Craig Mankoff cman1949@bellsouth.net
2. Robert S. Plain rbobplain@newscape.net
3. Gloria Pubantz gpubantz@triad.rr.com

New Members

On 10/15/19 Betsy sent an email to retired people on a list from the Provost's Office. She received several responses asking to be taken off our list as they have no interest in joining. Since her last report (10/30/19), she has received documentation for one new LIFE membership (Rosemary McGee). Unfortunately, Rosemary passed away on 12/31/29. Carol Garlington also joined as an annual associate member. There were no other new members since October.

Next steps to encourage renewals and new members?

Betsy will send a renewal email to Board members who volunteered to contact people on the list of 14 who did not renew. We decided it would be a good idea to highlight some of our upcoming events as part of our encouragement for renewal. We set a

deadline of February 15, 2020 for them to renew; if they do not do so by then, we will take their names off the ARF rolls.

Sue will be making an ARF presentation on February 2 to the Faculty Senate and will urge Senators to encourage working faculty to join ARF. She will give out our ARF brochures.

Vicki suggested that we might consider putting out a one-page newsletter to our members that would include our ARF logo, a listing of upcoming events and a membership form. We could send out one newsletter in the fall and one in the spring. Betsy recommended that we put the newsletter in an email (not as an attachment). Barb will investigate a template for a newsletter.

We continued our discussion about ideas to recruit new members. Sue shared her thought that “it’s not about the numbers,” that retirees are less attached to the university than working faculty and that may be the reason some members are not attending our UNC Greensboro events. Vicki raised the question “What about recruiting retired faculty from other universities in Greensboro?” Sue and others pointed out that we would need to revise our by-laws and consult/work with the University if we were to explore this idea further.

We also talked about how we might reach potential members at Well-Spring Retirement Community and at Friends Homes. Tim will investigate our having a Board Meeting at Well-Spring where there are 80 UNC Greensboro alums or retired faculty. Sue will contact Friends Homes to ask if they would give us the names of any retired faculty living there.

Betsy had another 100 brochures printed at a cost of \$49.17 and sent them to Emily Foust who will include them in retirement materials she gives faculty and EPA staff. She will also place copies in the reception area at HR.

Current ARF Balance (Ken)

\$7,544.71

ARF Representative on Age Friendly Campus Committee coordinated by Rebecca Adams (Sue)

Sue will be on this committee; she did not receive any responses to her email to our members about interest in being on this committee.

AARP is working on age-friendly communities. Rebecca will be contacting Mark Hensley at AARP about possible collaboration.

Update on the League of Women Voters of the Piedmont's presentation by Nancy MacLean in the Spring (Sue)

No date has been established for this event commemorating the women's right to vote amendment. The League will also be working with Greensboro Bound to have Dr. Nancy MacLean present on this topic.

For now ARF will hold off on any co-sponsorship with the League. They would like us to market their events to our members.

Request to Invite ARF Members to Civic Engagement Academy Intergenerational Dialogue in March (Sue)

This event (that includes dinner) will be held on March 12 from 5-7 PM at a location to be announced. Barb, Betsy and Sue noted that their last event was very worthwhile and they were glad that they went.

Review of "Civic Engagement Matters" Day held in November (Ken & Sue)

Sue reported that 40 students and a few faculty attended this event. She was impressed by the active participation on the part of the students who were required to be there and engage with people at the tables. Some of these students signed up to volunteer for some of the organizations that were present. This event connected UNC Greensboro to these community groups. Sue also noted that ARF members did not attend this event so we need to consider carefully if we would do another such program.

Plans and Preparation for 2/2/2020 Concert to Raise Money for UNC Greensboro Student Emergency Fund (Nancy)

Nancy reported that she has received no response from her emails to The School of Music about this event. She checked online to the websites of the Open Pantry and The School of Music Collage Chamber Concert Series and neither one mentioned our co-sponsoring of the 2/2/2020 concert.

After the meeting Sue followed up with Jim Douglass and apparently this collaborative program for raising money for the UNCG Student Emergency Fund and for collecting canned goods for Spartan Pantry will be held as planned. Nancy and Lyn will coordinate the collection of money and canned goods donations at the doors to this concert. Sue is sending out an invitation to our members while Nancy has articles run in Campus Weekly, The Carolinian, and Greensboro News and Record.

Update on dates/times/location for TED TALKS in the spring (Ken & Vicki)

Our “Meet and Eat” events this winter-spring of 2020 include the following TED talks at each date from noon-2PM in the UTLC Conference Room:

- Wed., 2/26: *Why Ted Talks Don't Change People's Behavior* (16 min.); *How I'm Preparing to Get Alzheimer's* (6 min.); *What You Can Do to Prevent Alzheimer's* (14 min.)
- Wed. 3/25: *The Power of Vulnerability* (20 min.); *How Out-of-Body Experiences Could Transform Yourself and Society* (18 min.)
- Wed. 4/22: *Sleep is Your Super Power* (19 min.); *How to Live Passionately-No Matter Your Age* (8 min.); *Four Questions You Should Always Ask Your Doctor* (11 min.)

We will send out an invitation to the ARF membership. We have enough seating for 15 participants.

Discussion for Fall Plans re: Strategies for How to Have a Satisfying and Meaningful Retirement (including Coaching for Seniors, Shepherds Center, AARP and the UNC Greensboro Emeritus Program)

Sue gave us two handouts on potential speakers on the subject of aging: Cheryl Greenberg, an “Age Coach” and retired faculty member from the UNC Greensboro School of Education and Helen Mack from AARP who would present on the book *Disrupt Aging* by Jo Ann Jenkins. Friends Home and Well-Spring might be places for these presentations as well as opportunities to recruit new ARF members.

We then discussed other possibilities for programs or speakers. Sue has a meeting with Sandy Doyle Jones from the Shepherds Center on January 30 to discuss how we might collaborate. She will also be attending a meeting of the UNC Greensboro Emeritus Society.

We went on to think about activities for our members that would be more social in nature. Vicki suggested some day trips within North Carolina that might include visits to museums or other interesting places. She also mentioned restaurant tours in which members would get to sample food and drink from various restaurants. This idea was met with much enthusiasm! Ken and Vicki will look into this idea further. Some members thought that starting in Greensboro for a restaurant tour or a visit to the International Civil Rights Museum might be a convenient way to begin.

Other Items

- In the fall of 2020, we plan to host another panel on traditional or phased retirement. Our last one was very successful and we have been encouraged to do another one.
- Barb asked for any feedback on our website. Ken noted that he could not access it from the UNC Greensboro home page. We wondered how many people actually go to the website. Barb will ask Steve. She added that only landscape photos can be used on the website.
- Sue informed us that Anthony Chow, Chair of the Faculty Senate, is pushing to get the Senate to co-sponsor our position statement on faculty access to Microsoft 365.

Action Items

- Betsy will send a renewal email to Board members who will then contact people who have not renewed their memberships. That email from Betsy will highlight some of our future events and will set a deadline of February 15 for renewal.
 - Barb will investigate a template for a newsletter.
 - Sue will contact Provost Dunn asking if she will share the master list of retired EPA and SPA faculty and administrative staff.
 - Sue will let us know when she will be meeting with the Faculty Senate.
 - Sue will invite our members to the Civic Engagement Academy Intergenerational Dialogue on March 12.
 - Tim will find out if we can have a Board meeting at Well-Spring Retirement Community.
 - Sue will contact Friends Homes to ask if they would give us the names of any retired UNC Greensboro faculty who are residents.
 - Ken and Vicki will meet to investigate restaurant tours for our members.
 - Barb will ask Steve Yarborough how many people go to our website.
 - Sue will send out an e-mail inviting our members to the The School of Music Concert on 2/2/2020 that will raise money for the student emergency fund.
 - Nancy will have articles run in Campus Weekly, The Carolinian and the GSO News & Record.
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Date of Next Board Meeting

Wednesday, March 18, 2020, 10-noon, UTCL large Conference Room

Draft submitted by Vicki McCready to Sue Dennison and Betsy Lindsey on January 19 for their edits before submission to the entire Board on January 21, 2020.