

MINUTES
UNCG ASSOCIATION OF RETIRED FACULTY (ARF)
Board Meeting

Wednesday, 9/8/22, 11:00 AM-12:30 PM
Via Zoom, Administrated by Betsy Lindsey

In Attendance

Board members attending this meeting: Sue Dennison, President; Betsy Lindsey, Vice President; Ken Caneva, Treasurer; Barbara Levin, Secretary; Vicki McCready, At-Large; Nancy Ryckman; Jerry Pubantz, At-Large, Diane Gill, University Liaison.

Welcome (Sue Dennison)

- Sue welcomed everyone and invited us to share the best part of our summer.
 - Minutes of our Annual Business Meeting on 5/18/22 were approved.
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ARF Website Discussion (Barbara Levin and Sue Dennison)

- The ARF website was updated in April to include (a) Minutes of Board Meetings on 11/11/21 and 2/24/22, (b) updates to the In Memoriam page, (c) links to two videos of ARF presentations/events (Scott Van Pelt's presentation about his book co-authored with Arthur Levine, "The Great Upheaval: Higher Education's Past, Present, and Uncertain Future" and "Exercise for Older Adults" presented by Anne Brady), (d) Membership List updates as of April 2022, (e) new photos from 2022 Retiree Faculty Reception, and (f) announcements about upcoming events.
 - Need to replace photo of ARF Board with new one that Vicki took
 - Sue asked everyone to look at the website for possible updates and to send any names for the In Memoriam page to Barb
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ARF Membership Update (Betsy Lindsey and Sue Dennison)

- We currently have 51 members:
 - Life members = 38
 - Associate life members = 5
 - Annual members= 8
 - Discussion of strategies to increase membership yielded these ideas: (a) In-person programs as opportunities to recruit new members; (b) request email list from Alan Boyette of all people eligible for retirement (including phased and/or early retirement); (c) send an email blast to convey our program plans for this year; (d) Jerry volunteered to email his network about ARF and suggested others use their networks to communicate about ARF; (e) send stack of ARF brochures to each Dean; (f) contact Wade Mackey to see if he has contact information for Professional Track Faculty; (g) Diane will ask Alan Boyette if we should do a panel about phased vs. regular retirement
 - Membership committee (Betsy, Diane, and Lyn) will meet and report back at our next meeting.
 - Election Committee (Jerry and Ken) prefer a Professional Track faculty member. Jerry will reach out to new members to be on this committee (e.g., Steve Layson and Bill Karper)
 - Consider asking Dick Swanson to join the Program Planning Committee, or another one.
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ARF Current Finances (Ken Caneva)

- Current balance is \$5995.73 in the ARF account.
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Announcements and Discussion of Program Planning for Fall 2022 (Sue Dennison and others)

- On behalf of the Program planning committee (Vicki, Collette Edwards, & Nancy Doll, and Sue -Chair), Vicki reported on plans for Fall 2022:
 - 9/28/22 @ 10 am on Zoom: Presentation by Stephen Fleming, President/CEO for WellSpring. Title of presentation is "Options, Costs, & Trends in Aging Services: Learn the facts to make a more informed plan

for aging at home to living in a full-time continuing care residential setting.” Sue will coordinate this presentation. This presentation will be recorded.

- Hike through local parks that are located near each other such as Bicentennial Park, Bog Garden, and Brown Bark Park. After the hike, have an outside picnic in the same area. Attendees will bring their own picnic food. Nancy Doll will coordinate this event and it will take place around the middle of October. Date TBD.
 - Burr Mill Park and Country Park were suggested as alternative hiking spots places with shelters.
- In early November (possibly Nov. 2 or 3). Vicki will coordinate a presentation by Audrey McLaughlin of the Volunteer Center of the Triad about various volunteer opportunities in surrounding communities. The time will be 1:00-2:15 PM on Zoom.
 - Vicki will ask if the Volunteer Center has events we might co-sponsor in the Spring
- Vicki reminded everyone to reach out and invite their own network of friends and colleagues to these events.
- Consider planning something at WellSpring during Spring 2023.
- Plan for TED Talk in Spring 2023 focused on how to be supportive of loss of family and friends, dealing with grief. Kan and Vicki will plan this.
- Discussion about planning for Faculty Retirement Reception for Spring 2023
 - Diane will ask Alan Boyette about supporting this financially
 - Nancy will help coordinate this event
 - Sue will ask Nancy Doll if we could do this event at Weatherspoon, or not
- Discussion about possible events to co-sponsor: perhaps music events or other art, theater, dance events on campus; Program Committee will discuss this further
- Preparation for Zoom meeting with Provost Storrs & Vice-Chancellor Donna Heath (9/15 @ 3 pm)-Sue
 - Four members will attend with Sue on 9/15 at 3 PM
 - Sue will start an email thread so we can submit questions to ask at this meeting

Closing (Sue)

Next Board meeting:

- **The next ARF Board meeting will be on Zoom on Thursday, November 10th at 11 AM.**
- Sue closed the meeting at 1:12 PM

Action Items

- **Barb** will replace current photo on website of ARF Board with new one Vicki took
- **Betsy** will (a) draft a flyer about ARF to use for recruitment, (b) send contact information for Abbotswood and Senior Resource Center to Sue for advertising the 9/18 event, (c) convene the Membership Committee and prepare a report for next board meeting.
- **Diane** will ask Alan Boyette if he (a) thinks we should do a panel about phased vs. regular retirement this year, (b) will send a targeted email about ARF to people eligible for retirement (including phased retirement), (c) has a list of Professional Track Faculty; and (d) will co-sponsor the reception to honor retiring faculty event in 2023.
- **Jerry** will (a) reach out to new members like Steve Layson and Bill Karper to recruit for his Election Committee
- **Ken** will (a) join Jerry on the Elections Committee, and (b) begin thinking about TED Talks for spring 2023
- **Sue** will (a) contact Wade Maki to see if he has a contact list for Professional Track Faculty, (b) send email to solicit questions for 9/15 meeting with Provost Storrs and Vice Chancellor Donna Heath re change related to IT changes, (c) get back to Nancy Doll about Burr Mill Park or Country Park as alternative places for October hike and picnic, (d) ask Dick Swanson to join either the Program Planning Committee or another one, (e) ask Nancy Doll about doing the Faculty Retirement Reception at Weatherspoon
- **Vicki** will (a) send ARF Board photo and edits to 5/18/22 minutes to Barb, (b) reach out to Jane Harris about re-joining ARF, and (c) ask if the Volunteer Center has events that we might co-sponsor in the Spring, (d) fix the date for presentation by Audrey Amos of the Volunteer Center of the Triad.