

EIU Annuitant Association Board Meeting Minutes
Zoom Meeting
Thursday, September 10, 2020

Members Present: Richard Wandling, John Ryan, Nancy Dole, Margaret Messer, Gary Aylesworth, and Marita Metzke

Call to Order

President Rich Wandling called the meeting to order at 9:03 AM.

Approval of the Minutes

The May 28, 2020 meeting minutes were presented; however, a quorum was not in attendance. The minutes will be approved at the next board meeting on Thursday, November 19, 2020.

Treasurer's Report

After an explanation of income and disbursements, Margaret Messer reported the balance as of September 9, 2020 is \$4,811.23. The Treasurer's Report could not be approved. Approval will take place at the next meeting, Thursday, November 19, 2020.

Committee Reports

Membership Report – John Ryan reported membership is currently 641 members and membership is down from last month. He sends around a half dozen reminder letters per month. A mass email will be sent to new retirees asking them to join EIUAA. Wendy received a full list of retirees from EIU, totaling around 60. A special "Thank You" to Wendy for getting the list.

Communications Report - Wendy is teaching a class during our meeting times, so Rich will get information from her for the next meeting.

Legislative Report – Jeff Lynch was not in attendance. The Tax Referendum was discussed.

Scholarship Report – Nancy Dole didn't have any updates. Margaret Messer stated that the EIUAA scholarship donation check had been delivered to the Foundation Office.

Events Report – No events are currently planned.

Nominations – Amy Lynch and John Blitz will be nominated to join the board to fill empty positions.

SUAA Annual Fall Meeting September 30

Rich Wandling and John Ryan will be attending the virtual meeting. A motion was passed to reimburse them for their \$25 registration fee. (Metzke/Dole)

Extending Board Members/Officers Through 2021 Due to COVID Pandemic

Rich reviewed the EIUAA Constitution and according to #12 the 30-day rule must be adhered to. Rich will draft a statement extending board member terms. It will need to be passed by the board. After board approval, the addendum will have to be sent out electronically to the board for voting during the Zoom chapter meeting on November 12, 2020.

President Elect Position

Rich will check with Wendy to see if she would accept this position.

Out Reach

John, Wendy and Rich will work on a newsletter.

Flu Shots

Margaret reported that she spoke with Emily, EIU HR and Emily will get back with Margaret. Currently, the Health Department is not sure the annuitants will be included this year, since we are considered high risk. Margaret will update the board when more information is available.

SUAA By-Law Revision Process

Rich reported for Jill Nilsen, that everything is on hold until the group can meet in person.

Look Ahead to 2021

Margaret will work with Nancy, EIU Foundation Office to secure meeting dates. After setting the meeting dates, she will then send them out for board approval.

Discussion regarding upcoming chapter webinar – Rich, John and Wendy will look into how it will work.

Marita will assist. Topics mentioned for a speaker were a state official speaking about the November election or something environmental. Rich is involved in an environmental group and would have access to speakers.

Meeting adjourned. (Messer/Metzke)

Nancy Dole
EIUAA Secretary