

## **Minutes of the UMAR Executive Committee**

**September 14, 2010**

1. The UMAR Executive Committee met September 14, 2010, at 9:00 a.m. in the Alumni Center.
2. Minutes were approved as read.
3. President Suzanne Darnell thanked Janet Mitchell and David Ciscel, last year's Faculty and Staff Senate representatives, for their service. She then announced that this year's representatives to the Staff Senate and Faculty Senate, respectively, will be Ginny Reed and Cecil Rousseau. Sherrill Maxwell will be Membership Chair.
3. David Ciscel distributed the financial report, which showed 2010-11 revenue of \$4,212.04, with expenditures of \$207.64, leaving a balance of \$4,004.40. The UMAR scholarship fund shows \$815.00 given to date, with a total of \$22,964.87...
4. President Darnell presented (a) a printout of current membership, including email addresses and (b) three separate lists of membership divided according to renewed members, new members, and complimentary first-year members transitioning to annual members.
5. President Darnell then announced the Nominating Committee to select next year's officers: David Ciscel, Bill Crump, Bob Deininger, and Janet Mitchell.
6. Janell Rudolph reported that the fall newsletter is well under way, with a deadline of October 22.
7. David Ciscel discussed programs for this academic year: including a visit to My Big Backyard, with lunch at Fratelli's the Memphis Botanic Gardens on October 26; a downtown trolley tour with lunch at the Arcade Restaurant in November (tba); and the Christmas Pops at Calvary Church on December 8. The next Book Club meeting will be at Brother Juniper's on November 23 (selection tba)
8. Suzanne Darnell mentioned the annual THERA meeting at Fall Creek Falls on November 7-8, recommending the meeting to anyone who would like to go.
9. Mary Ellen Pitts reported progress in the Christmas Luncheon program, and Suzanne Darnell reported that Joann Lippy had called about items volunteered for the silent auction, asking members to notify her about what items they will bring.

10. Bob Boone reminded the group of the UMAR Scholarship, which is available to qualified applicants who are children or grandchildren of UM faculty.
11. Delano Black reminded the group of the Memphis Symphony Scholarship, with a deadline of October 15, 2010. He also noted that this year marks the twentieth anniversary of Dr. Marcus Orr's death, mentioning the fine work of the current director, Dr. Jonathan Judaken from South Africa.
12. Bob Yates has agreed to chair this year's Traces Award Committee, which consists of former winners of the award; the deadline for nominations is November 5.
13. There being no objections, the meeting was adjourned at 10:15 a.m.