

UMAR

The University of Memphis Association of Retirees
Minutes of the Executive Committee Meeting
Newport Hall, August 10, 2007

Present: Butch Alford, Delano Black, Bob Boone, Tom Caplinger, David Ciscel, Susanne Darnell, Frank Dyer, Jim Lippy, Joanne Lippy, Mary Ellen Pitts, Les Pourciau, Rita Richardson, Janell Rudolph

Absent: Bill Crump, Bob Yates

The meeting commenced at 9:05 a.m.

Minutes: The minutes were approved as corrected.

Treasurer's Report: Rita Richardson passed out copies of the UMAR Account Summary for FY 2007-2008 and a Financial Recap of 2006/07. UMAR's fair market value at year end was \$1,399.74 (unaudited). Rita indicated that a goal of UMAR should be to have this year end value maintained at \$3,000. A recommendation was made that in future reports the UMAR Scholarship Fund balance be included.

Newsletter: No report

Caring Report: Joanne Lippy reported the death of Evelyn Sanders Boyd. Because she was a UMAR member, a **motion** was made and **passed** that \$25 be transferred from the UMAR account to the scholarship fund in her memory.

Programs: David Ciscel reported that the annual Christmas luncheon will be at noon on December 13th at the Holiday Inn, University of Memphis. David also indicated that he has reserved a room from 10 a.m. until noon for a program to be presented to those attending; also, donations for the silent auction will be gratefully accepted. Delano Black reported that the Chicago trip has been cancelled. Delano also reported that the invitations had been mailed for the President's Coffee and Conversation scheduled for September 12th. Jim Lippy reminded the committee of some future events: Dinner at Jarretts in October followed by a nationally known speaker at Balmoral Church; a possible field day trip to Oxford in November.

Leisure Reading Report: Mary Ellen Pitts reported that the Health Forum will be held on November 10th at the Rose Theatre. Board members will be needed to assist at each of the four sessions.

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Membership: Rita Richardson distributed a listing of annual members paid to date for 2007-2008. There are 41 members, which puts UMAR ahead of last year. Jim Lippy passed out a listing of retirees for whom we need current addresses.

Website: Jim Lippy was asked to forward the minutes of the committee meetings directly to Jennifer Garst. The same was asked of Janelle Rudolph regarding the newsletter.

Volunteerism: Delano Black asked Susanne Darnell to contact all the Deans in order to set up meetings so that Delano and Susanne can offer the volunteer services of UMAR.

Heritage Room: Butch Alford made a presentation to Les Pourciau of a Microscope and Illuminating lamp, both from the 1930's, for the Heritage Room. Delano Black also made a presentation of framed memorabilia from the field house. Les Pourciau passed out a report of the jobs accomplished in 2006/2007 by Colin Kidder, Heritage Room GA.

UMAR Scholarship: Bob Boone reported the current balance of the Scholarship Fund is \$9,195.89. He also indicated that the goal was to reach \$30,000 in five years. This current FY is the fifth year. Bob also announced this year's recipient is Sera Elizabeth Babakus, and reviewed her very impressive resume. The award is for \$1,000 with \$500 being given each semester. The formal announcement will be made at the Christmas luncheon.

The meeting concluded at 10:35 a.m.

Jim Lippy
Secretary

The next meeting is scheduled for September 11th.