

UMAR

The University of Memphis Association of Retirees
Minutes of the Executive Committee Meeting
Alumni Center, October 9, 2007

Present: Butch Alford, Delano Black, Bob Boone, Bill Crump, Frank Dyer, Jim Lippy, Mary Ellen Pitts, Les Pourciau, Rita Richardson, Bob Yates

Absent: Tom Caplinger, David Ciscel, Susanne Darnell, Joanne Lippy, Janelle Rudolph

The meeting commenced at 9:01 a.m.

Minutes: The minutes were approved as presented.

Treasurer's Report: Rita Richardson reported that the current balance in our account is \$2,075 with a few outstanding bills. We currently have 43 annual members. The coffee and conversation at the President's home resulted in a loss of \$129.

Newsletter: A recommendation was made that memorials be mentioned in our newsletter. Bob Boone and Rita Richardson will work with the Advancement Division in working out the logistics for notification.

Caring Report: Jim Lippy reported the death of Martha Moss Armstrong who headed the Mini-College at the University. Records indicate she was not a member of UMAR.

Programs: Bill Crump reminded everyone of the Oct. 19th Storytelling Time. A flyer has been sent out to lifetime and annual members. There will be a tour of St. Jude Children's Research Hospital at 10 a.m. on Nov. 28th, followed by a luncheon. A flyer will be mailed out listing the various materials which can be donated to the hospital. The flyer will also outline parking instructions due to the limited space at St. Jude's. Future events planned are: Oxford trip in the spring; dinner theatre outing; dinner and opera.

Leisure Reading: Mary Ellen Pitts distributed a schedule for the Nov. 10th forum, *Retirement Planning: Negotiating the Healthcare Maze*. A number of suggestions were offered during the discussion. Mary Ellen will revise the schedule based on some suggestions and attach a registration form. Board members were asked to help stuff the envelopes on Monday 10/15 at 9 a.m. in the Alumni Center. The bulk mail out will encompass all retirees in the local area, approximately 650 envelopes.

Membership: Butch Alford reported that Human Resources has plenty of UMAR brochures. He also indicated that the tour of FedEx is scheduled for Oct. 11th.

Website: Rita responded to a question asking if the website has the capability to count the number of hits. Rita indicated that this is a separate process which must be installed, and we are unable to do it at this time.

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Volunteerism: No report

Heritage Room: Les Pourciau reported that we are still receiving various memorabilia, and everything is functioning well.

UMAR Scholarship: Bob Boone reported that the current balance is \$10,888 - less the \$500 scholarship.

Christmas Luncheon: Delano Black distributed copies of the Annual Holiday Luncheon flyer with attached reservation form and listing of items for the silent auction. Board members were reminded that a motion was made and passed at the Sept. meeting that each Board member is asked to donate at least one item for the silent auction. Please e-mail or contact David Ciscel indicating what the donation will be.

New Business: Delano Black distributed copies of a memo from President Raines and an outline of a Campus Art Tour Program. After some discussion, a **motion** was made and **passed** that we accept Dr. Raines' recommendation that UMAR organize the project.

The meeting concluded at 10:24 a.m.

Jim Lippy
Secretary

The next meeting is scheduled for November 13th.