

**SUAA SIUE CHAPTER BOARD MEETING**  
**November 20, 2014**

**CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order in Room 3117 Founders Hall at 9:30 a.m.

**MEMBERS PRESENT**

John Jennetten, Liz Tarpey, Jo Gibson, Norris Manning, Janet Hunsche, Diane McKaig David Steinberg, Susan Yeager, David Ault, Lynn Heidinger-Brown, Karen Take, Deanna Taylor

**SECRETARY REPORT**

Report to follow at next meeting

**TREASURER REPORT**

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**OLD BUSINESS**

Plans and the agenda are in place for the December 4, 2014 SIUE SUAA Chapter Meeting that will be held in the Hickory/Hackberry Room of Morris University Center from 1:00-3:00 p.m. Randy Dunn, SIU President and Cheryl Brunsmann of the Office of Community Education will be our guest speakers. An e-mail will be sent to the retiree list serve, current staff and members of the SIUE SUAA Chapter to inform them of the event.

**NEW BUSINESS**

John Jennetten welcomed our two new Board members, Susan Yeager and David Ault.

**MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE REPORT**

Jo Gibson reported that the SIUE SUAA Chapter has 455 members. She also stated that the SUAA state membership now has over 16,000 members which is an all time high.

Jim Benhoff is working with the Membership Committee on creating a website. Ann Hunter will be the content manager on the site. The goal is to make the site available after the Holidays.

Our brochures are now being included in the new employee orientation packets provided by HR. There is also new employee orientations scheduled monthly where we have an informational table to distribute and promote SUAA.

The question arose if adjunct faculty is eligible to become members of SUAA. David Steinberg will check on this at the next state executive board meeting that he attends.

The election of a new Treasurer was the next item of agenda. A motion was made by David Steinberg and seconded by Norris Manning to nominate David Ault as the Treasurer. Motion was unanimously approved. John thanked Karen Take for her years of service as the past Treasurer.

A discussion was held on the \$2.00 annual increase of the membership dues. The Chapter could absorb the \$2.00 or allow it to be added to the member's payment. The board did not feel the increase would impact our membership recruitment. A motion was made by Janet Hunsche and seconded by Lynn Heidinger-Brown to increase the dues from \$37.00 to \$39.00 January 1, 2015. The motion passed. John Jennetten will send notice to SUAA to implement the change for our Chapter.

John Jennetten discussed the Legislative Advocacy Committee and presented possible members. The SUAA state office tracks legislation information that can be used by the committee. One of the goals of the committee would be to encourage our legislatures to find new sources of income for the State. John indicated that he may chair this committee until another member volunteers in order for it to become active.

Liz Tarpey reported on her research of the by-laws on the Board information. She found that there should be no more than 15 members with 2 year terms but no term limits. She passed around a list for the members to indicate the date that they became Board members. It was decided to try and keep a list of the Board term end dates. It was also decided to review the by-laws to see if any changes are needed. Liz Tarpey and Karen Take will start the review. Jo Gibson will e-mail a copy of the by-laws to everyone. Jo will also find out from the State office when our Chapter began.

John Jennetten presented the possibility of contributing additional money to the SUAA state legal fund. The Board discussed the suggestion and a motion was made by Liz Tarpey and seconded by Diane McKaig to contribute \$2500.00 now and revisit the idea of another contribution at the next meeting. The motion passed.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 11:00.

Deanna Taylor  
Acting Secretary