

SUAA SIUE CHAPTER BOARD MEETING
September 29, 2014

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at the Chancellor's Conference Room Rendlemen at 10:00 a.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT

John Jennetten, Liz Tarpey, Jo Gibson, Norris Manning, Bobby Regnell, David Steinberg,
Deanna Taylor

SECRETARY REPORT

Report to follow at next meeting

TREASURER REPORT

Report to follow at next meeting

OLD BUSINESS

There were a number of responses from individuals to volunteer for the Legislative Committee. We have a potential volunteer to become Treasurer. We also have one individual who would like to serve on the Social Committee.

NEW BUSINESS

The Chancellor's Office informed us that the Holiday Party will be Thursday, December 4, 2014 from 3:00-6:00 p.m. We discussed the possibility of having an SUAA table near the entrance to the festivities to make current employees and retirees aware of our organization. John Jennetten will check with the Chancellor's Office to see if this is possible.

David Steinberg and Jo Gibson gave a report on the SUAA Executive Board Meeting. Some of the items discussed by Linda Burkhardt was the upcoming budget information that will be presented in October, the importance of contributions to the legal fund and ideas on ways to solicit more donations from members for the legal fund. A letter was mailed to members who have an annual annuity of \$40,000 plus to ask for legal fund contributions. The response was not what they had hoped for. The meeting also included a presentation/workshop led by Nancy Silvester on parliamentary rules for a board.

John Jennetten will be sending a letter to our membership to ask for donations to the SUAA legal fund to help with the legal costs to save pension benefits.

Jo Gibson reported on the State Membership Committee. She said that they will focus on increasing the membership at Community Colleges. One of the tools they will be using is the

flyer created explaining the difference between SURS and SUAA. They will also send to the local Membership Committees and Chairs quarterly tips to help increase enrollment.

Jo Gibson also reported on our chapter Membership Committee. We are having a series of planning for retirement workshops this Fall. The first one held in September was attended by 46 employees. There are three more workshops to follow. More will be planned for the Spring of 2015.

Jo and Susan Yaeger met with Sherrie Senkfor the HR Director and Summer Murphy the Benefits Manager. They agreed to put information in the new employee orientation packets concerning SUAA.

Jim Benhoff is working with the Membership Committee on creating a website. Ann Hunter will be the content manager on the site. Once the site goes live, HR will put a link on their website to ours.

John Jennetten reported on the SUAA Action Committee. He will try to schedule meetings with the local legislatures Andy Manar, Jay Hoffman, Dwight Kay and possibly Bill Haines.

Bobby Regnell stated that she has been a member of the SUAA SIUE Board for quite a few years. She said that she would be willing to step down should someone want to be her replacement. John thanked her for her years of service and will keep that in mind should someone be willing to take her place.

There was some discussion on the possibility of having some type of informational meeting for the upcoming retiree medicare supplemental insurance enrollment. Deanna Taylor will check with HR to see if it can be done.

We discussed having an open meeting for all current employees and retirees prior to the Holiday Party on December 4, 2014. John will check to see if we can get the new President of SIU to attend and speak. If he is unable, we will check to see if Bruce Appleby the current President of SUAA might be available.

Wednesday October 29, 2014 is the SUAA State meeting in Bloomington, IL. David Steinberg, Jo Gibson, John Jennetten and possibly Janet Hunsche will attend.

Jo Gibson reported on the flu shots. She spoke with Health Service and they are not sure if they will be getting a supply to offer to employees and retirees. They will update us when and if it becomes available.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at approximately noon.

Deanna Taylor
Acting Secretary