

SUMMARY OF CHAPTER BOARD MEETING
NOVEMBER 20, 2017

The following action discussion items are listed below for followup.

1. Jo Gibson will continue to pursue modifications to the membership reports to better identify members needing followup. New members are not identified in reports; nor are current employees identified from retirees in reports. Jo is currently following up members who are in grace or lapsed status to get them to renew membership.
2. Jo Gibson will work on development of a chart to assist members and potential members the transitions to retirement which impact insurance coverage. She also proposed that SUAA develop a paper stressing the need for SUAA membership for current employees and how SUAA can provide support that unions are not offering to higher education members.
3. The SUAA survey of current members indicated strong support for information about legislative issues affecting retirement and insurance as well as Social Security benefits impact on SURS retirement benefits. Other important topics to respondents were also discussed. We need to consider these for future programs and keynote speakers.
4. Jo Gibson provided a list of new employee orientation dates in 2018 and seeks board volunteers to staff these events.
5. Arrangements have been made for the December 5th SIUE SUAA Chapter meeting. We will videotape the program.
6. Nobby Emmanuel provided an update on the SUAA Foundation meeting he attended. The Foundation wants chapters to "market" the Foundation promoting donations as well as the availability of the emergency fund to members. Jo Gibson will contact IT to add language regarding the emergency fund in addition to the existing link on our website.
7. We discussed recruitment of new board members. David Steinberg will approach a faculty member. John will contact an employees in Financial Aid. Nobby Emmanuel will consider possible nominations as well.
8. We agreed to invite Senator Andy Manar to a special program in January, focusing on current employees and retirement legislation.
9. John Jennetten will convene the Legislative Affairs Committee in January and initiate more frequent messages to members and potential members about the possible impacts of Tier III legislation,
10. Jo Gibson is making arrangements for a followup meeting at the School of Dental Medicine and asked that another board member join her when it is scheduled. John suggested that we invite Katie Stuart to a meeting hosted at the School of Dental Medicine.

11. David Steinberg proposed lowering the membership dues for spouses by \$6. to forgo the SIUE portion. We agreed to pursue this. John will send our a proposal to our board and David Steinberg will check on implementation details. Would this affect spouses already paying or just new members as they join?
12. Any additional feedback or questions, reply all.

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