

SUAA/SIUE Chapter Newsletter



Holiday Wishes to our Valued SUAA Members

It has been a challenging time for all of us...retired or still working. The pandemic has altered our lives dramatically, particularly affecting our social lives. While Zoom meetings have somewhat filled the gap, we have missed the opportunity to be with each other at our chapter meetings.

However, we have much to be thankful for. Our SUAA staff in Springfield continues to work on our behalf advocating to protect our benefits and increase funding for pensions and higher education. Your continued membership provides critical funding for their ongoing work.

We are indebted to the scientists and scholars who are working to develop treatments and vaccines to protect us against the continuing global pandemic...and to the healthcare professionals who tirelessly care for us. Many of you taught and guided these students as they achieved their degrees.

We wish you joy and peace during the upcoming holidays. Let's continue to take care of each other.

John Jennetten
On behalf of the SIUE SUAA Chapter Board

SUAA SIUE Chapter December Meeting

Our annual meeting was held November 30 via zoom. Guest speakers were Dr. Morris Taylor, SIUE Vice Chancellor for Administration, who updated us on infrastructure at SIUE & campus challenges and SUAA Executive Director Linda Brookhart who gave a legislative update. Despite the technical difficulties, we did manage to record the entire meeting. Both halves of the meeting can be viewed via <https://www.siue.edu/suaa/chapter-activities/events-feed/11-30-2021.shtml>.

SUAA November Fall Meeting Recap

SUAA 2022 Budget and 2022 Legislative Platform were adopted.

SUAA Contract Lobbyist Matt Maloney spoke on Illinois Redistricting. SUAA members can access the video by going to www.suaa.org and login to the Member only area. You can access other past speaker videos here as well.

Campus Information

SIU Board of Trustees approves the appointment of SIUE's 10th Chancellor Dr. James T. Minor.

<https://www.siue.edu/about/announcements/minor-named10th-chancellor.shtml>

SURS Updates

SURS appoints new Executive Director. Also check out SURS new website design!

<https://surs.org/>

SUAA State Office

2022 Annual Meeting – Mark your calendars!

June 16 & 17

SUAA Foundation

Six \$1000 student scholarships were awarded for 2021-22 <https://www.suaa.org/suaa-foundation>

Stay Up to Date Checklist

✓ Visit your SIUE Chapter website often
www.siue.edu/suaa

✓ Keep the State SUAA office apprised of changes to your contact information, ESPECIALLY your email address. This allows us to communicate more directly with you and the chapter the expense of mailing information to members for whom we do not have an active email address.

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(217) 523-4040 with all
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