November 7, 2018 APSURA Board Meeting Minutes

The November 2018 APSURA Board meeting was held on November 7 at the Pace Alumni Center.

Members present were Jim Clemmer, Joe Filippo, Cheryl Holt, Phil Kemmerly, Allene Phy-Olsen, Nancy Smithfield, and Eloise Weatherspoon. Aleeta Christian was also present.

The minutes were read and approved.

The treasurer's report was read and approved.

It was announced that George Mabry has resigned from the board, but Jim has asked him to stay on the board in name only until our next elections.

Sharon is working on putting our newsletters and minutes on the Web. Our history will be located on the Web, and it will be our official repository of records.

Our bylaws need to be updated, and Carl will make recommendations for those updates. Jim suggested that Eloise help with updating the bylaws.

Aleeta encouraged our group to support the Clarksville Community Concert Association. It was suggested that we might use one of those concerts as a Connections event, perhaps meeting to eat beforehand. Some concerts will conflict with Austin Peay basketball games. It was suggested that Aleeta might want to write an article for the newsletter about the concerts.

It was announced that our STAR event is now a line item that is funded by the university.

The amount we received for the luncheon was \$782, with a shortfall of \$197. It was suggested that we keep a list of all of those who attended the luncheon.

Nancy announced that we have one renewed membership and two new members, bringing our total membership to 91. It was suggested that we transfer Bert Randall's membership to Jeannie, who will then be paid up through 2023. It was stressed that we should work on recruiting younger members.

Jim said that one of the concepts that was stressed at the AROHE meeting which he and Bob attended was a new way of viewing retirement, not as a time to sit and rock, but as a vibrant, interesting, active time. A new word is needed to replace the word "retirement."

Jim announced that he and Bob were the only representatives from Tennessee at the AROHE meeting in Atlanta. He suggested that we attempt to have a THERA meeting in the fall.

It was recommended that we have a banner or some other way to call attention to APSURA at the Benefits Fair next year, a more clear way of identifying who we are. Perhaps we should consider something to give away as well.

It was recommended that since many of our members do not drive at night that we consider a different time and venue for our Connections meetings, perhaps 3:00 or 4:00 in the afternoon. We could ask Andy Keane about the possibility of the Jenkins and Wynne building. It was also recommended that we who do drive at night invite and pick up others who do not.

Jim moved that we drop the \$25 membership fee for current employees, and the motion was approved. Eloise suggested that current employees be encouraged to join APSURA as associate members. But they will not be charged any dues until they retire.

It was suggested that in March, we use the Roxy performance of *To Kill a Mockingbird* as our Connections event, with a dinner beforehand.

There will be no board meeting in December.

The meeting was adjourned. Our next meeting will be on Wednesday, January 2, 2019.

Submitted by secretary Eloise Weatherspoon.