## February 6, 2019 APSURA Board Meeting Minutes

The February 2019 APSURA Board meeting was held on February 6 at the Pace Alumni Center. Members present were Joe Filippo, Cheryl Holt, Phil Kemmerly, David Kanervo, Allene Phy-Olsen, Sharon Silva, Nancy Smithfield, Carl Stedman, and Eloise Weatherspoon.

The minutes were read and approved.

The treasurer's report was read and approved. It was announced that we have received \$1400 for the Scholarship Fund – all of which are memorial gifts in memory of Jim Clemmer.

Nancy presented the membership report, announcing that our membership list remains the same, with 96 members.

Sharon said that Barbara Blackston desires to remain on the Board.

Allene announced that Bob Privett does not want to be Publicity Director at this time, but he wants to continue in the organization.

Sharon gave the Nominating Committee Report. Another meeting will be necessary to iron out the slate of officers. We are adding a Parliamentarian and a Web Site Manager to our list of officers.

It was discussed whether we should increase the number of people on the Board, because the consensus was that officers should first be members of the board, so more people on the Board will mean more people in our pool of potential candidates. Cheryl suggested we add two new Board members at a time so that all do not rotate off at the same time.

Cheryl suggested that we need to find people with specific skill sets – for example, someone who has the expertise to put together the newsletter. She wondered if we could have an intern assigned to us for credit. Phil and Joe volunteered to set up an appointment with Kathy Lee Houston and report back to us next month.

We discussed which departments on campus would be the appropriate ones for help on the newsletter. Would it be the Art Department? Graphic Design? Print Journalism? Perhaps we could offer a small stipend for this person. We would be responsible for the writing and the photography. A scrapbook was also suggested.

At Cheryl's suggestion, we voted to add three additional Board members next year, including George Mabry's replacement.

We discussed the need for a place to put Jim's APSURA items. We have permission to use the cabinet in our meeting room. Someone needs to look through and cull out unnecessary material. David agreed to ask Mitch about the need for a bigger space.

It was also suggested that we need to inform AROHE members about Jim's death.

Our Connections program for February 26 will be a presentation by chemistry professor Carrie Brennan about analyzing forensic evidence and crime scene investigation. It will be on Tuesday, February 26, at 7:00 in the Maynard Math Building.

Our March Connections program will be Thursday, March 21, at 7:00 to see the Roxy production of *To Kill a Mockingbird*. Those who desire to will eat together at Edward's at 5:15. So far, there are 15 reservations for Edward's.

David is working on getting a speaker to introduce the university's new helicopter program for April, and we do not yet have a program idea for May.

Nancy volunteered to send out an email about coming APSURA events.

On June 5, we will have the Board meeting at 2:00 and the general meeting at 3:00 in our usual meeting place.

The meeting was adjourned. The next meeting will be March 6.

Submitted by secretary Eloise Weatherspoon.