

UMRA BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
Minutes Meeting of October 25, 2016  
Campus Club, Room 411  
9:00-10:30 A.M.

Members present: Roger Clemence, Sheri Goldsmith May, Judy Leahy Grimes, Cherie Hamilton, Dave Nauman, Chip Peterson, Donna Peterson, Gloria Williams

Members absent: Carl Adams, Shirley Barber, Steve Benson, Martha Feda, John Howe, Jean Kinsey, Jean Markell, Kathy O'Brien, Jerry Rinehart

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Other participants: Ginny Hanson

D. Peterson called the meeting to order at 9:12 A.M.

**1. Welcome**

D. Peterson welcomed all.

**2. Approve agenda**

A motion was made and passed to accept the agenda

**3. Approve September Minutes**

A motion was made and passed to accept the September 2016 Board meeting minutes

**4. Treasurer's Report**

The reports requested from Carl Adams (08/01/15-08/31/16) were distributed. Clemence asked if Adams feels that he should continue in the position of Treasurer. D. Peterson reported that when asked this question, he answered yes. Williams asked if the income and expense categories could be put in the same order on monthly and yearly statements. A motion was made and passed to do so for the year 2016-2017.

**5. Proposed by-law updates**

D. Peterson clarified the two proposed changes: the terms for the Officers and Board of Directors will run from September 01 through August 31, and that the nominating committee will begin working no later than the February meeting. A motion was made and passed to accept these changes.

**6. MOU Update**

D. Peterson reported that there is no new information and that she will request an informal meeting in the near future.

**7. Board Retreat Follow-up (incl. Social Activities Report)**

While Hamilton referred to the member survey of last summer in which many members commented that the lunches were crowded and the meals not worth the price, D. Peterson clarified that the Board survey also indicated that the luncheons *are* a priority for many of our members and that the goal was to find some additional activities that might interest our membership in the spirit of building community. Hamilton reported that she and Thomas had come up with other ideas for social events: Park Square Theater with wine/cheese before the play, Day Trip to St. Croix in Spring, pottery tour in Fall, understanding that bus liability is a problem because UMRA is not part of the University. Hanson suggested offering a social hour with coffee and tea before lunch, before the parking fills up. D. Peterson asked Hamilton and Thomas to put one event together this winter.

Regarding University relations, D. Peterson said that she will be looking for 3-4 UMRA members to attend the Dec. 13 Faculty Affairs Committee meeting.

**8. Program Committee**

C. Peterson indicated that luncheon speakers are in place through March 2017, and that workshops are filled through November 2017.

**9. Membership Committee**

Regarding the current membership, D. Peterson reported that some people just can't come out to lunch any more, but want to maintain membership. Some who didn't come to lunch, want to maintain their membership only, and some no longer want to be members.

**10. Grants Committee**

D. Peterson said that Hogan-Schiltgen does not want to chair this committee again. D. Peterson said that Hogan-Schiltgen has done a fabulous/marvelous job, and that it is a LOT of WORK. D. Peterson will mention this when she introduces her today.

**11. Website**

Nauman said that the luncheon component should be up and running soon – in time for the November 15 meeting and luncheon. Currently they are writing revisions to make it work better. Kathy is co-webmaster. Dave reminded us that his term ends this year.

**12. History**

Williams announced that she still does not have reports from people.

**13. Communications/newsletter**

Hanson announced that she still needs material for the newsletter.

**The December deadline for the newsletter will be BEFORE December 24<sup>th</sup>**

As there was time, Nauman asked if we could talk about a Communications Committee. At some point, Nauman was the tech person, and Hanson/Nolting were the communications people, then somebody combined them. Some discussion occurred.

D. Peterson commented that it was an outcome of the Retreat that we have to do something bigger than what we're doing.

Hamilton announced that she would like to invite two UMRA members to OLLIE's Holiday party in January to see the types of spaces that OLLIE uses for social activities.

A motion was made and passed to adjourn the meeting at 10:08 A.M.