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Austin Peay State University Retirees Association (APSURA)

The first meeting of the full membership of the Austin Peay State University Retirees Association (APSURA) was held on August 26, 2009 at 1:00 p.m. in Room 213 of the Morgan University Center. Present were: Meredith Gildrie, Wayne Chaffin, Ann Harris, Aleeta Christian, Jim Clemmer, Sandra Carter, David Till, Al Bekus, Joe Filippo, Wayne Chester, Richard Gildrie, Arthur Eaves, Al Irby, Mitch Robinson, Nancy Irby, and Hester Crews.

President Al Bekus called the meeting to order, thanked those present for their attendance, and introduced the Officers and members of the Board.

Al encouraged all members to check the APSURA website regularly for updated information (http://www.apsu.edu/Retirees_Association). He commended Gerald Beavers and Steve Wilson for their efforts in establishing and updating this site.

Mitch Robinson was called on for comments concerning the Gov's card. He informed the group Gov's cards are available for retirees. Anyone interested should check with the front desk of the University Center. Mitch explained the policy concerning retirees' use of facilities (accessed by the Gov 's card) will be reviewed for possible revision(s). Aleeta Christian reminded the group money can be put on the card for use in the dining facilities and encouraged members to consider meeting/eating on campus.

Wayne Chaffin circulated two sign-up forms for those interested in serving on the Nominating Committee and/or the Membership Committee. The forms included information on responsibilities of the members for both committees.

Al announced that, based upon seating capacity, President Hall will invite all members of APSURA to the Opening Convocation next year. Al encouraged members to check the APSU web site for the recording of the August 26, 2009 Opening Convocation.

Al explained that 77% of those completing the questionnaire indicated they were interested in activities/events/travel. He distributed the handout of activities listed by the Board at their recent meeting (attached).

There was discussion of possibilities for events for this fall and resulting plans were:

Meredith Gildrie will coordinate an event for dinner/theatre at the Roxy perhaps as early as October.

Jim Clemmer will check on a possible evening with the Nashville Symphony.

Richard Gildrie will check on activities/reservations for an event at one of the State parks.

Gerald inquired concerning state and national affiliation dues for APSURA and concern that APSURA assume these costs. Al indicated information will be available in November.

David Till inquired if the Elderhostel program is still active. Al affirmed it is and will secure a catalogue of their activities. David further suggested consideration of a liaison with the local AARP chapter.

Al will check on submitting names/addresses of APSURA members for the Center for Creative Arts and the APSU Library mailing lists.

Gerald will link any/all of the organizations discussed to the APSURA web site. He informed the group he will post pictures of today's activities on the site.

Mitch circulated two sign up lists: one for those interested in Homecoming football tickets and a second for those interested in having an APSU e-mail address. The possibility of basketball tickets will be pursued.

Al again expressed appreciation to those in attendance and special appreciation to those who have volunteered to work on scheduling activities.

Gerald moved to adjourn the meeting; Ann Harris seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 2:20 p.m.

Submitted by: _____
Hester Crews

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