

August 1, 2018
APSURA Board Meeting Minutes

The August 2018 APSURA Board meeting was held on August 1 at the Pace Alumni Center. Members present were Barbara Blackston, Jim Clemmer, Joe Filippo, Cheryl Holt, David Kanervo, George Mabry, Allene Phy-Olsen, Sharon Silva, Nancy Smithfield, and Carl Stedman.

The minutes and the financial statement were both approved. Two changes will be made to the June minutes. The scholarship fund is now earning interest.

President Jim Clemmer expressed thanks to several individuals, including David Kanervo, Mitch Robinson, Sherry Demaray, Nancy Smithfield, and Sharon Silva. He shared that at UTK, for example, all retirees are automatically members of the retirees association. Also, Hannah Allen is new in Mitch Robinson's office.

It was voted by the Board a couple of years ago that the APSURA web site is to be a repository of information.

George Mabry and Richard Gildrie will present "An Elegant Obsession" September 7 and 8, and it is hoped that they will provide a Connections program in late September (tentative date September 25) to further discuss the performance. Dr. Mabry provided the group with a synopsis of "An Elegant Obsession." Tickets are on sale now through the Center of Excellence in Creative Arts.

Nancy Smithfield distributed copies of the 2018-2019 membership list (to date) and reminded the group that this list does contain privileged information.

The convocation picnic is August 22.

The Rotary bike ride and a possible fall train trip were discussed. The Rotary bike ride is Labor Day weekend. There was not a consensus or vote taken on either activity.

Other goals for the 2018-2019 year are a calendar of events and continued work on our web site.

A special guest was at the meeting, and he presented a very generous gift for the APSURA scholarship fund. He issued a challenge for the Board to work toward endowing the APSURA scholarship at the \$ 25,000 level.

The meeting was adjourned. The next meeting will be Wednesday, September 5.

Notes taken by Sharon Silva

