

The Illinois Club Board Meeting (Corrected)
Wednesday, October 20, 2010 at Carrol Finnigan-Bunick's

The meeting was called to order by Mary Jo Thomsen at 7:10 p.m.

The following were in attendance: Mary Jo Thomsen, Sheila Krein, Carrol Finnigan-Bunick, Wilma O'Brien, Joan Friedman, Kathy Marshak, Susan Haney, Peri Ceperley.

Mary Jo distributed the Secretary Report which was approved. Wilma O'Brien served as Secretary.

President – Mary Jo Thomsen

Mary Jo Thomsen expressed concerns about maintaining our 501c7 status and will consult Laura Huth. The discussion centered around accepting members not affiliated with the University, as well as collecting members' dues and scholarship contributions in two separate checks. 65% of our income has to be dues in order to maintain our 501c7 status.

First VP Programs – Sheila Krein

The Sept 13 Expo had an attendance of about 100. Due to the power outage we received a 30% price reduction from the Hilton Garden Inn, making the total cost \$763.41. The recommendations are (1) to avoid using a basement again and (2) to make sure there's enough food.

The Holiday Party will be Thursday, Dec. 9 from 5-7 at Buttitta's on Neil St. The cost will be \$19 for members and \$24 for guests. Entertainment will be provided by the Champaign Central High School Jazz Combo I. We will donate \$200 to them.

Suggestions were made for another winter event.

The Scholarship Brunch will be held on Saturday, March 5, 2011 from 10:00 a.m.-12:30 p.m. at Hawthorn Suites, White Oaks I, 101 Trade Center Dr., Champaign. The scholarship recipients will speak, as well as UI President Michael Hogan. The News-Gazette will cover the event.

The Spring Luncheon will be Thursday, May 5, 2011 from 11:30 a.m-1:30 p.m. at Kennedy's at Stone Creek, 2560 Stone Creek Blvd., Urbana. Tom Overbye, an ECE Professor, will speak on the future of green electricity, the smart grid, renewables, etc.

Second VP Newcomers

Susan Haney reported for Stephanie Price.

The group held an Ice Cream Social with a dozen attendees.

31 tickets for the Tailgate Party are being passed out. It will be at 8:30 a.m. on Oct. 23.

The Jan. 21, 2011 play at the Station Theatre is Mauritius. Dessert will follow at Silver Creek.

Third VP Interest Groups - Carrol Finnigan-Bunick

Carrol has membership lists from the interest groups, except for Antiques, Afternoon Bridge and Evening Bridge. She was advised, regarding non-dues-paying attendees, to refer the problem to the chair of the group.

Treasurer – Joan Friedman

The Income Statement for July 1 – October 20, 2010 shows revenues of \$5,998.49 and expenses of \$2,814.03. Cash on hand (checking account, savings account, CD, University and petty cash totals \$25,989.85.

Joan will remind Birgit McCall to send PayPal payments for dues that have been paid. Renewing the CD for 6 months was decided. Order/Purchase Documentation Forms were passed out.

Corresponding Secretary – Wilma O'Brien

Since the last board meeting 4 sympathy cards and 4 get-well cards have been mailed. Anyone knowing of a situation where a card would be appropriate should contact Wilma.

Newsletter – Peri Ceperley

Peri has been tutored by Susan Haney and the newsletter should be out by Oct. 31.

Scholarship Committee – Susan Haney

Dec. 1 is the application deadline and applications are now accepted on-line. Next year's deadline and the generating of more applications were discussed. Susan will make contacts in the Education Dept. and advertise in the Illini Union.

Susan reported total sales of prints, notecards and tiles since July 1 of \$1,590.00. She presented Print Costs & Proposals for costs, prices and inventories for the 7 Judith Ikenberry prints. She also presented a proposal that 1 each of the prints be framed (by International Galleries) and hung for sale in International Galleries in Urbana. Should we decide to stop selling the prints there, International Galleries would return them to us framed, at no cost to us. The Board approved this on a trial basis of 6 months from the date they're available, with the stipulation that a contract is signed dealing with the price that we will be paid, and that we get relevant tax information from International Galleries, etc. Susan can order prints from Dixon Graphics for a maximum of 3 per print, but needs approval for ordering more than 3 of a print.

The Board approved Scheme #2 Proposed International Galleries Print Prices and the Board approved a \$110 price for the Orange Café print.

Bulk sales of notecards were tabled until we can evaluate working with International Galleries.

All-Employee Expo. Susan is in contact with the Hallene speaker organizer and is going to show the Hallene print as a possible thank-you gift.

A proposal to frame the last tile and sell raffle tickets for it had 9 yeses from an email vote and was approved by the Board. Susan and Mike Haney will frame it with a small plaque. Chances will cost \$5 for 1, or 5 for \$20.

Tours

Susan Haney reported for Sandy Beak and Sheila Ott.

The Krannert tour had 15 attendees. The Nov. 9 bus trip has 35 but needs 45.

Webmaster – Birgit McCall

Birgit is setting up a link for UIF donations.

Membership – Kathy Marshak

The current membership is 355, down from the last 2 years, but about the same as 2006. The couples memberships have been successful.

The Directory will be completed to be mailed with the newsletter.

These non-UI new members were approved: Wilhemina Cochran, Kay Small, Martin Srajek and Linda Weiner.

Big Ten Committee – Susan Haney

Susan wants a Big Ten logo but will wait for the spring semester, hoping that students can design one. The site for the meeting hasn't been chosen, but the date will be the June 7, 2013 week-end.

The next Board meeting will be Wed. Jan. 19 at Sheila Krein's.