
Subject: Retiree Council February 6, 2015 Minutes

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The conference call of the AFT-W Retiree Council was called to order at 10:05 a.m. on Friday, February 6, 2015 by President Kathy Monaghan. Members present were Bob Beglinger, Bonnie Greasby, Ed Gallagher, Marilyn Bunnell, Wanda Gerard, Buzz Davis, Kathy Empie, and Kathy Monaghan.

The minutes of the Retire Council Convention were discussed. A motion was made by Gallagher and seconded by Davis to approve them as distributed. Motion carried.

The treasurer's report showed a balance in the checking account of \$10,988.98 and a CD balance of \$5,959.81 for a total of \$16,948.79.

Old Business

1. An AFT-W Convention Report was given. Major changes included changing the annual convention to a biannual convention and reducing the size of vice-presidents at large by two.

2. Bob Beglinger gave a lengthy report from the Coalition of Annuity. WRS predictions will include an probable increase in the core fund from 2.8-3.2% and the variable from 0-3. Issues of concern were explained at length. Bob will write an article for the upcoming issue of the newsletter.

3. The newsletter will be published in March and will include our bylaw and constitution changes as well as our changes in our policy for reimbursement. Also included will be the two main changes in the AFT-W constitution as listed above.

New Business

1. The dues are due letter was sent to approximately 88 individuals. From that we have received 69 yearly members and 1 life member. A committee was formed to increase the number of former members that were contacted and did not pay dues last year. The committee will include Ed Gallagher, Bonnie Greasby, Marilyn Bunnell, and Kathy Monaghan.

2. The Wisconsin ARA Convention will be held in Madison at the Concourse Hotel on Monday, March 2. Members were asked to donate \$100 for advertising and \$50 for members attending. A motion was made by Beglinger and seconded by Davis to donate \$100 and pay the \$50 for Jill Hynum, Bonnie Greasby, and Marilyn Bunnell at a total cost of \$250. Motion carried.

3. AFT-W Executive Board Report. A dues structure committee has been formed to study the dues levels bases on the state's decreasing membership. Each council will have a representative and an alternate. Bob Beglinger will be the representative and Kathy Monaghan will be the alternate.

Convention dates for the 2015 Convention will be Friday, Saturday and Sunday, October 23, 24, and 25. A Madison location was recommended. No site has been chosen to date.

A motion was made by Beglinger and seconded by Gallagher to adjourn. The meeting was adjourned at 10:55 am.

Respectfully submitted,
Kathy Monaghan, Acting Secretary

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