University of Delaware Association of Retired Faculty (UDARF)
Executive Committee Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, April 21, 2020  2:00 pm
Virtual Zoom-Enabled Meeting

Present: John Brook, Janet Johnson, Marian Palley, Dick Sacher, Fred Schueler
Guests: Carolyn Manning, Dave Ermann, Bill Saylor

I. Announcements

- Elections of the 2020-2022 officers. The Nominating Committee’s proposed slate -- Bill Saylor (VP), Dave Ermann (Treasurer), and Carolyn Manning (Secretary) -- were unopposed and unanimously elected at the March luncheon. Janet Johnson will become President-Elect and Fred Schueler will become Past-President. The current officers congratulated them and wished them well as they assume their tenure at the end of this meeting.

- Speakers for 2020-2021: Due to room and speaker availabilities, dates for next year’s luncheons were adjusted: Norm Wagner (Wed, Oct 28), Stuart Binder- McLeod (Thurs, Dec 3), Don Sparks (Wed, Mar 3) and Dennis Assanis (May 5), along with Intellectual Journey events: Ralph Begleiter (Nov 12) and Ellen Pifer (Mar 18).

- Executive Committee meetings are scheduled for Sep 22, Nov 3, Jan 26 and Apr 20.

II. Old Business

- The minutes of the Feb 18, 2020 meeting were unanimously approved and are posted on the UDARF website.

- Budget summary. Treasurer Brook reported the following:
  - All funds ($966) from luncheon attendees have been collected and deposited with the Provost’s Office.
  - The Apr 16 balance in UDARF’s general account is $2,903.59 and in the UDARF gift account is $610.45.

- Intellectual Journey speakers: Joann Browning’s spring 2020 Intellectual Journey event was cancelled due to the COVID-19 pandemic. President Schueler will contact Joann Browning to see if she would like to speak instead at the Mar 18, 2021 event.

III. New Business

- UDARF Research Grant Funding 2020-2021: The subcommittee awarded seven $715 grants. Vice President Johnson has notified the candidates. A list of awardees and their plans will be posted in April on the UDARF website. Awardees will be required to submit proof of incurred expenses to the UDARF Vice President.

- 2020-2021 venue contracts. Treasurer Brook secured and signed contracts for the Audion luncheons, the Courtyard by Marriott Intellectual Journey events and executive meetings. Contracts at the Audion will cover the parking lot adjacent to the Audion entrance.

The meeting ended at 2:30 pm with the passing of executive authority to the new officers.

Minutes prepared and submitted by Dick Sacher, UDARF Secretary