



# Northwest Retiree Association

## Spring 2019 Meeting of the Association

May 2, 2019, 10:00 AM – 12:00 Noon - Alumni House

### Minutes

**Attendees:** Jim Eiswert, Rich Fulton, Ray Courter, Rosalie Weathermon, Ken Nelson, Barb Nelson, John Shaw, Ed Farquhar, Dave Midland, Rego Jones, Karen Schaffer, Sandi Cox, Nancy Thomson, Beverly Blackford, Mark Jelavich, Sandy Maxwell, Jeanette Whited, Johanne Fairchild, Nancy Hardee, Dave Howell, Kathy Howell, Ron Heller, Lisa Stobbe, Janice Falcone, Channing Horner, Louise Horner, Jeff Ferguson, Margaret Drew, Linda Girard, Brenda Untiedt

**Guests:** Sue Myllykangas, Professor, School of Health Sciences and Wellness; Matt Johnson, Maryville City Council; Nola Bond, Vice President of Strategy and Operations; Krista Barcus, Director of Human Resources

**Welcome** – Ray Courter opened the meeting by welcoming everyone and thanking them for attending. He also introduced our special guests. Krista Barcus is the new director of Human Resources.

Nola Bond is the vice president of strategy and operations. Nola shared that her team is working closely with Jim Eiswert on a process to allow registered members of the Retiree Association to be able to have Northwest email addresses. Hope to have a place on the membership form to allow members to opt in to having a Northwest email. They hope to have it completed by July 1, 2019.

Matt Johnson, faculty member in humanities and social sciences and member of Maryville City Council. From city perspective, very excited to tap into the retiree association.

Ray next introduced Dr. Sue Myllykangas, professor in the School of Health Sciences and Wellness as our keynote speaker on “Aging in Nodaway County: Rewiring, Recreating and Revitalizing”.

Following the presentation, Sue and Ray shared the different types of retirement facilities are popular across the country. Maryville lacks many health services that keeps retirees from staying in Maryville/Nodaway County.

### Business Meeting

- Report from the Provisional Board – ‘What’s been happening’ – Dr. Jim Eiswert
  - Jim shared on what has been happening over last couple of months.
    - He met with the Northwest Leadership Team and they are excited of all the things the Association can do and to continue the relationship.
    - He met with Faculty Senate and Staff Council. Both groups want to establish regular connection so current faculty and staff who are getting close to retirement can have resources.
    - The Association has an account that has been established from donations.
    - He met with Maryville Concerned Citizens for Nodaway County.
    - Good progress has been made on Northwest email.
    - Projects and goals will start taking place over the summer.

- Discussion approval of the Constitution, Bylaws, and Committee – Dr. Rich Fulton
  - Approval of Constitution
    - One change, Article III, section IV, remove age requirement.
    - Motion made by Ray Courter to approve the constitution pending changes.
    - Seconded by Janice Falcone
    - Motion passed.
  - Approval of By-laws
    - Motion made by Janice Falcone to approve the By-Laws as shared.
    - Seconded by Karen Shafer
    - Motion passed
- Nominations and Elections of Board, Officers, and Committee Membership
  - Offices include: President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer and five voting board members.
  - Nominations for President were accepted.
    - Jim Eiswert
  - Nominations for Vice President were accepted.
    - Rich Fulton
  - Rego Jones moved to approve officer and board nominations by acclamation.
  - Nominations for Secretary were accepted.
    - Jolaine Zweifel
    - Approved
  - Nomination for Treasurer were accepted.
    - Ray Courter
    - Approved
  - Nominations for Board Members were accepted.
    - Karen Schaffer
    - Rego Jones
    - Rosalie Weathermon
    - Janice Falcone
    - Nancy Hardee
    - Approved
  - Approved list of officers and board members:
    - President: Jim Eiswert
    - Vice President (President Elect): Rich Fulton
    - Secretary: Jolaine Zweifel
    - Treasurer: Ray Courter
    - Board Member: Karen Schaffer
    - Board Member: Rego Jones
    - Board Member: Janice Falcone
    - Board Member: Rosalie Weathermon
    - Board Member: Nancy Hardee
  - Question of Dues
    - Discussion concerning dues ensued, various amounts discussed
    - Dues would be used for to use for rental fees if needed for larger meeting spaces, banners, refreshments, etc.
    - Suggested to leave it to the board to establish an amount and frequency.
  - Approval of committees
    - Committees are not interest group committees.

- Need at least three members, including chair, per committee.
- The Board will assign chairs for each committee
- Motion to approve made by Rego Jones
- Seconded by Lisa Stobbe
- Motion approved.

#### Open Forum

- Many members are members of an organization that already meets the first Thursday of each month. We will look at a different day of the week/month to meet in the future.
- Next meeting of the full group will be in the fall, in conjunction with the holiday coffee in December. May try to coordinate a banquet for the membership and hope to bring in new members. It was suggested to host a brunch instead of a banquet, with the Maryville Senior Center.
- Minutes will be sent out following the meeting.

#### Adjournment