

IUPUI Senior Academy Board Meeting

September 11, 2008, 10:00 A.M.

Glendale Library Auditorium

Board Member s Present

Theodore Cutshall, Noel Duerden, Mary Grove, Mark Grove, Joseph Hingtgen, Giles Hoyt, Shirley Newhouse, Leon Rand, Sheldon Siegel, William Voos, Harriet Wilkins. Also, Communications Committee Chair, Walt Linne.

Board Members Absent

Margaret Applegate, Golam Mannan, Richard Patterson.

Call to Order

President William Voos called the meeting to order at 10:18 A.M.

Approval of Minutes

The minutes of the August 14, 2008 meeting were approved with two modifications.

President's Report

Bill Voos asked Walt Linne to summarize his discussions with the Elder-Friendly Communities (EFC). Walt explained the purpose of EFC: to help older adults live independently in their homes by coordinating social and support services, including health education and wellness programs, respite and health care assistance, transportation, personal finance, social and cultural programs. EFC is currently serving an area about ½ mile square, between 64th and 77th Streets, west of Springmill Road and east of Ditch Road. It has an office in the Jewish Community Center. EFC receives funding from the US Administration on Aging.

Later in the meeting, Evagene Bond from EFC provided more details and noted that EFC is sponsoring two educational programs that SA members may be interested in attending, one with Morton Marcus on "The Economics behind the Headlines" and another with Mel Bloom on "The Cultural History of Colonial Mexico." Ms. Bond said her group has nearly 200 members and is eager to partner with Senior Academy, perhaps through joint programs.

After Ms. Bond had left, the board discussed the ways that cooperation would be mutually beneficial. The consensus was that SA should invite EFC members to our public programs and explore ways to share some activities (e.g., bus trips), but not enter a regular cooperative agreement.

Treasurer's Report

Treasurer Shirley Newhouse presented the treasurer's report for June, July, and August. The board accepted the report and agreed that future reports should cover just the current year and past year for comparison rather than a three year view as had been the practice.

Membership Committee

Harriet Wilkins, chair, reported that 142 renewals had been received by September 4, and that another renewal letter will be sent to non-respondents. The board discussed the fact that many SA members have life memberships. Harriet will try to get a full count of members current and life members for the next meeting. Ted Cutshall's name was added to the Membership Committee list.

Program Committee

The following events for the year are scheduled. They will be held at 10:00 A.M. in the Glendale Library Auditorium:

September 16, 2008--Road Map to Long-Term Care in Indiana. Presenter: Robyn Grant.

October 15, 2008--Genetic Engineering: Tools, Products, Controversies. Presenter: Ted Grayson, M.D.

Scholarship Committee

In discussions with Bill Voos, Shelley Hunter of the IU Foundation said that the foundation would be open to hosting a reception for Art and Patricia Mirsky tailored for donors to the SA scholarship funds. It was suggested that past and current scholarship recipients should be invited.

Social Committee

Mary Grove reported that the following events are planned for the rest of 2008:

October 22, 10:30 AM--Day Trip to the [T.C. Steele Home and Historic Site](#) in Nashville, Indiana.

November 12, 10:00 AM --Tour of "[Court Art of China-Ming Dynasty](#)" at the Indianapolis Museum of Art.

December 10, 5:00 PM--Holiday Dinner at Hollyhock Hill.

In Memoriam

During the meeting, Bill Voos received word that Professor James East had died on September 10. Jim East spent 29 years of his teaching career at IUPUI, also serving as Associate Dean of Liberal Arts and Dean of Weekend College and Off-Campus credit programs. After retirement, Jim served as President of Senior Academy from 2006--2008. Bill Voos and other board members praised Jim for his dedication to IUPUI and effective leadership of SA. The board discussed ways to honor Jim's memory, perhaps through the funding of scholarships. Harriet Wilkins moved that Senior Academy should donate a monetary gift in memory of Jim East, and Bill Voos said he would contact the family and ascertain their wishes for that gift. The board seconded the motion unanimously. Walt Linne offered to inform the Senior Academy membership about Jim's funeral arrangements through the listserv.

Other Announcements

Bill Voos announced that Senior Academy members will soon receive brochures from United Way and pledge cards. He noted that SA members had been very generous in past United Way campaigns. He reminded members of benefits that IUPUI offers to retirees, including parking passes for \$60.00, Faculty Club memberships for \$30, email accounts, and the affordable IUWare with many software programs, which can be purchased at the Bookstore.

Adjournment

Leon Rand moved and Ted Cutshall seconded a motion to adjourn at 11:25 AM.

Respectfully submitted by
Mary Grove, Secretary

Next Board Meeting: October 9, 2008

Senior Academy Website: www.iupui.edu/~sacademy