

## ERA Membership Meeting

Feb. 17, 2022

Respectfully submitted by Kim Hachiya, secretary

The UNL Emeriti and Retirees Association general membership met via Zoom on Feb. 17, 2022. Kim Hachiya, past president acting on behalf of current President Pat Crews, called the meeting to order at 11:30 a.m. Approximately 35-40 people were on the call. Al Stark opened the meeting room at 11 a.m. and members enjoyed conversation prior to the meeting's opening.

The following individuals were remembered during a moment of silence:

Sharon Seagren, widow of Alan Seagren, Education Administration  
Dorothy Masters Haskins, widow of Francis Haskins, Agronomy & Horticulture  
Norma Ellington, widow of Earl Ellington, Animal Science  
David Beukelman, Barkley Center  
Ian Newman, Educational Psychology

Kim announced the following:

1. ERA is participating in Glow Big Red fundraising for our new Scholarship. The effort closed at noon on Feb. 17.
2. We plan to hold in-person meetings in March and April should health conditions and UNL guidelines allow.
3. Tour of HuskerVision is planned for 9:15 a.m. March 16. Reservations are required.
4. General membership meeting is 11:30 a.m. March 15 in the Nebraska Union Platte River Room. Speaker is David Harwood, professor and Stout Chair in Stratigraphy, Earth and Atmospheric Sciences. His talk is titled "Steps to Reveal Climate History Beneath Antarctic Ice."
5. Nominations are now open for Wisherd Service awards for Outstanding Service to UNL and Outstanding Community Service. Applications are open for a Wisherd Research/Scholarly Activity Grant Awards.
6. We probably will be asked to provide volunteers for Commencement this year. Graduate commencement will be at Pinnacle Bank Arena on Friday, May 13, and one undergraduate commencement for 2700-degree recipients at Memorial Stadium on Saturday May 14.
7. Opportunities to serve the association include editorship of the newsletter, website maintenance volunteer, and hybrid meeting technicians. Thanks for helping out and learning new skills.
8. Rita Kean announced that Olli term 4 registration would open soon.

Kim introduced the day's speakers: Joe Brownell, director of UNL Military & Veteran Success Center, and Tom Allison, the Center's senior adviser. UNL has more than 1600 individuals who qualify for services and UNL has been ranked as one of the nation's best institutions in terms of support services offered to veterans. Joe and Tom related the

various services offered to student veterans, active duty and others with military affiliations, and talked about challenges these students may encounter. They invited ERA members to visit the center in the lower level of the Nebraska Union.

After their talk, Kim thanked the speakers and noted we will make a donation in their honor to UNL Libraries Development Fund.

Kim reminded viewers to watch inboxes for registration for our March events and adjourned the meeting.