UNL Emeriti and Retirees Association Meeting notes Nov. 16, 2021

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The UNL Emeriti and Retirees Association met for lunch at 11:30 a.m. Nov. 16, 2021, at the Lancaster County Extension offices at Cherry Creek. The meeting was also live-streamed via Zoom

President Kim Hachiya called the group to order at 11:45 a.m.

Memory Moments recognized individuals who had died since our October meeting. Lois Johnsgard, widow of Paul Johnsgard, Biological Sciences
Patricia Selig, spouse of Joe Selig, Athletics and NU Foundation
Sharlyn Stock, Admissions
Cecil W. Stewart, Dean Emeritus, Architecture
Ed George, Nebraska Extension

Announcements

Kim:

We are moving ahead on a plan to endow and award a scholarship, called the Emeriti and Retirees Association Scholarship, as early as the next academic year. Many thanks to Earl Hawkey and Jim Griesen for a lot of preliminary legwork and discussions. The scholarship will be need-based and awarded to a sophomore or junior. We will leave the decision on who is to receive this scholarship to the Office of Scholarships and Financial Aid. Earl has made a generous first gift and has agreed to match up to \$5,000 in subsequent gifts. We need \$30,000 fully endow this scholarship. We are working with the University Foundation on this project and more information will come soon. If you are looking to expend your annual minimum distributions from a retirement IRA, this is a perfect opportunity to give back to the institution. Thanks so much to Pat Crews for her excellent suggestion and to Jim and Earl for their work on this.

Welcome to new board members Monica Norby and David Wilson; thanks to our 2022 president elect, Linda Major.

Kim noted that the board had provided cupcakes in honor of our 60th anniversary and she encouraged everyone to enjoy a cupcake.

Pat Crews, 2021 president elect, introduced Paul Read, agronomy and horticulture, who talked about viticulture in Nebraska.

After his talk, Pat reminded the group that the association sends honoraria will be sent in speakers' names to the UNL Libraries in recognition of them.

Our next General Membership meeting will be Thursday, Dec. 16 at the East Union. Claire Stewart, Dean of University Libraries, is our speaker and we have arranged a tour of the new Dinsdale Family Learning Commons afterwards for those interested.

Meeting adjourned.