Towson University Retired Faculty Association (TURFA) Executive Committee Meeting

Minutes - February 15, 2017 - Enrollment Services 207

Attending: Annette Chappell, Don Forester, Ron Matlon, Ray Castaldi, Fran Bond, Peg Benner, Florence Newman, David Larkin, Mary T. Casterline, Hillary Giddings

Absent: Martha Siegel, Ellie Hofstetter, Joe Topping

Meeting called to order by President Chappell at 2:10 p.m.

A tour of and introduction to the new TURFA space was conducted by Mary T. Casterline and Hillary Giddings.

- TURFA Executive Committee members can access the space by using their One Cards.
- The space shall be called the Towson University Retired Faculty Association (TURFA) Center.
- A ribbon-cutting date will be scheduled. (To be April 17)
- A sub-committee was formed to discuss space issues and report back to the Executive Committee at their March meeting. The committee is composed of David Larkin, Ray Castaldi and Don Forester.

Minutes of January 13, 2017 were approved.

"Coffee with..." Sessions and Future Executive Committee Meetings

- The next meeting will be Friday, March 17 at 10:00 a.m. It will be in Enrollment Services 207.
- The "coffee with..." session will be with University Library Archives as well as Electronic Media/Film personnel to discuss the possibility of creating an oral history utilizing TURFA members.
- The regular Executive Committee meeting will follow.
- It was suggested that the new Director of Development for TU be invited to a future "coffee with" session.

Spring 2017 Event

- It will take place June 20 from 10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.
- Mary T. Casterline will contact President Schatzel to serve as the keynote speaker.

Emeriti Policy and the TU ART Document (Forester)

- Martha Siegel and Don Forester met with the TU ART Committee.
- The advice given to the committee by TURFA on various emeriti matters was warmly received.
- The advice is advisory only. The ART Committee will get back to TURFA with their response.
Emeritus Status and University Senate TURFA Membership (Chappell)

- Annette Chappell will be meeting with Provost Chandler about these matters on March 3. She will report back to the Executive Committee at the March meeting.

TURFA Survey Committee Report (Matlon)

- The committee (Benner, Bond, Newman) was thanked by the chair (Matlon).
- A first draft of the survey was prepared and edited.
- The committee will review a second draft and consider issues involving the implementation of the survey at a meeting scheduled for March 16.

Faculty Development Center Report (Chappell and Siegel)

- The group is working on a survey about the Center.
- TURFA will be asked to play a role in the Center.

Programs and Events Committee Report (Newman)

- The Poe House tour was postponed due to inclement weather. It will be re-scheduled probably for sometime in April.
- On May 17, there will be a group tour of the Greenmount Cemetery.

Newsletter Report (Benner)

- Progress is being made on the next issue scheduled for release in early spring.

New Business

- Castaldi reported that two more people joined TURFA.

Meeting adjourned at 4:10 p.m. Submitted by Ronald J. Matlon, TURFA Secretary