

Minutes

GPC/DeKalb College Retiree Association Quarterly Meeting October 10, 2012 Clarkston Campus CN2220

12:00 Noon: During the brown bag lunch the Holiday Party plans were discussed.

At 1:00 pm Betty Molloy called the meeting to order beginning the business meeting. Attendees introduced themselves giving the year of retirement.

- Copies of the Secretary's Report for the August 8 Meeting had been distributed. Catherine Carter pointed out highlights and asked if there were changes to be made. Joyce Garrett suggested that the "25,000 non-admissible students" should actually be "2,500 ..." Howard Silverstein moved to accept the minutes as changed. Gloria Hitchcock seconded the motion and all said "aye"
- Mary Sanders explained Treasurer's Report that had also been made available before the meeting. Ron Swofford moved for acceptance of the report as written.
- Betty Molloy gave President's Report. She announced that four members had attended the GA-HERO meeting on October 5th at the Georgia Archives. Later this month, Betty will attend the AROHE meeting in Chapel Hill; she will give a report at the next quarterly meeting in February. Betty Molloy announced the outing at Big Canoe mentioning that there is space in the cabin being rented. Betty read a letter from Tyree Smith inviting our organization to participate in the garden at Decatur Campus; there was little interest shown. Pres. Molloy mentioned the Retiree Association Book Club and told of the next meeting. Ann Benson requested a list of books read so far. Finally Betty showed the group how to access the Retiree Association Website and displayed the latest newsletter. She mentioned that the newsletter is not being mailed because funds for mailing are not available.
- Bari Haskins-Jackson discussed proposed activities for the membership. In particular she told of the plans for the Holiday Party. Attendees are urged to RSVP so that the appropriate amount of food will be available. In addition to the admission fee of \$15, all attendees are to bring one unwrapped gift to donate. Attendees also are encouraged to bring items for the Estate Table.

- President Molloy introduced Patrice Masterson who then discussed Benefits for 2013. First she introduced Kameka Houston and Renee Downey from the Benefits Office. Benefits packages were mailed recently to all retirees. Ms. Masterson pointed out changes that have been made to the health care programs. She mentioned that this year free movement will be allowed among the various programs. She pointed out increases in co-pays and made some suggestions as to where health care costs could be minimized. She mentioned the change from Medco pharmacy to Express Scripts (There was a merger). USG has contracted with Express Scripts. She explained that Medicare Part D is a federal program that subsidizes costs of prescription drugs. She cautioned members to be sure to carry both the health card and the prescription cards sent to them. She gave phone numbers to call to learn of changes in pre-authorization requirements for prescriptions. Ms. Masterson cautioned that if members drop health coverage through UGA, they will not be allowed to re-enroll. She mentioned the low income subsidy and high income surcharge determined by the retiree pay; retirees making more than \$85,000 will have extra premium amount deducted from their Social Security Check. Ms Masterson mentioned changes related to the Affordable Care Act such as the new Women's Preventive Care Coverage which varies depending on the age of the woman. There was discussion of two dental plans: (MetLife and Delta Dental) and the Eye Med Vision Plan. The Auto and Homeowners Insurance Plan through Travelers was discussed; this is a new group plan with discounted rates. Finally Ms. Masterson discussed the Prudential Long-term Care which has retained the same rates; this will be the last opportunity to enroll. Domestic Partner and Domestic Child(ren) benefits were briefly mentioned.

Following the program final announcements and reminders were made. The meeting adjourned at 2:30.

Important Dates:

Holiday Party – December 7, 2012 (noon to 3 p.m.)

Meetings during 2013 - February 13, May 8, August 7, October 9 or November 13(All meetings are held from 1-3 p.m. with brown bag lunch and conversation from noon to 1 p.m.)

Respectfully submitted by Catherine Carter, Secretary