

UMMRA BOARD MINUTES
Wednesday, May 7, 2014

Present: Andy Lopez, Dennis Johnson, Lynn Scholz, Bernice Erdahl, Joan Reicosky, Karla Klinger, Maggie Larson, Bonnie Tipcke, Ken Hodgson, Ron Kubik

Absent: Judy Riley, Laird Barber, Cathy Kemble

Andy Lopez, President, opened the meeting. Minutes of April 30, 2014, meeting was distributed. Lynn Scholz moved the minutes be accepted with Maggie Larson seconding. Minutes were approved.

Treasurer's report indicated there was an approximate checkbook balance of \$2998.07. There has been no new money collected and there are a couple of bills that are outstanding.

Ron Kubik suggested that the membership form should be updated. He was going to talk to Judy about it.

There was continued discussion on the programming for next year. Judy Riley found out that the Alumni Room for the February 5th meeting was already booked. Maggie Larson suggested that we use the LaFave House. After the board agreed, the LaFave House has been reserved for the UMMRA's winter quarterly meeting.

Additional dates for the coming year's activities: March 5th in the Gazebo Room at the Ranch House, April 2nd the annual meeting in the Cougar Room with Chancellor Johnson speaking, April ? UMMRA's Reception and UMM's Recognition Dinner, May 9th UMMRA volunteers helping with graduation, and June 4th the spring picnic.

Gary McGrath suggested that UMMRA and the Alumni Association work together in videoing interviews with the graduating class of 1964 which were gathering on campus this June. The purpose of the interviews was to preserve some of the history of the campus. He was planning on coming back to campus for the reunion to help with the activity. It was felt that this was too big a project for UMMRA to undertake, but felt we might assist in a small way. Andy was going to contact Carla Riley to see where the planning is at the current time.

The question of what can UMMRA do to increase membership or become more visible was discussed. Various suggestions offered: (1) have a membership committee (2) have more one-on-one contact with new retirees (3) plan or co-sponsor trips out of town to such events as the Guthrie Theatre or a sporting event (4) have a gathering in the cities so retirees in that area can reconnect to UMMRA (5) have a float in the Prairie Pioneer Parade (6) donate time for good causes such as the Food Shelf, Relay for Life, etc.

Ken Hodgson moved the meeting be adjourned and Karla seconded. Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Joan Reicosky, Secretary