

SUAA Board Minutes

May 1, 2025

Zoom Meeting

Those attending were Farr, Richmond, Barker, Dallinger, Brown, Ramsey, Werling, Downin, Melz- Jennings, Blackledge, Pano, Brewer, Rock, McLean.

1. Approval of Minutes- Minutes were amended and approved. Dallinger/McLean
2. Treasurer's Report- Brewer gave the report. Approved. Pano/Brown
3. Survivor Assistance- Blackledge reported the following members have passed away since our last meeting: Teresa Simmons, Patricia Young, James Jacobsen, and William Clow.
4. Membership- Farr reported 470 members in the local chapter.
5. Social- Dallinger reported on the Spring meeting and luncheon. Everything went well.
6. SURS Update- Rock reported that the SURS portfolio is down 4% and the market is volatile.
7. Legislative- Pano reported that the General Assembly is back in session. There are 18 legislative days in June. The governor has been giving speeches on federal topics. The budget given in February was balanced. Some of the surplus may be available. There are many uncertainties that were identified. Pano also identified many areas needing funding. The state legislature plans to continue full funding of retirement pensions. Higher education is in serious need of greater funding. The budget would only give a 2% raise for state colleges and universities for the next fiscal year. Senate Bill 1308 would help to fund the Quad Cities campus with \$7,200,000. Discussion followed.
8. Publications- Barker reported a flyer was sent to each member. There are still problems with the Human Resource Office in approving documents being sent to members within a 50-mile radius of Macomb.
9. Foundation- Brown reported there is not a contract between the State SUAA Foundation Board and the State SUAA Board of Directors. There will not be a state meeting for the SUAA Foundation Board during the Annual SUAA meeting in June. There are 8 scholarships available. One application has been received to date.
10. Networking- no report.
11. Technology- no report.
12. Announcements- Farr asked for volunteers to bring their laptops on May 8 for the informational meeting. The meeting will be held from 10-2 p.m. at Wesley Church.

13. Old Business- Farr asked members to let her know if they were planning to attend the state meeting as registration will be needed.

14. New Business- none.

15. Adjournment- Downin/Pano

Respectfully submitted,

Jacqlin Richmond, Secretary