

USI Retirees Coordinating Council Meeting Minutes
Griffin Center
3/15/2025

Call to Order

President Linda Trible called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

Members Present: Christy Baker, Terri Branson, Jeri Burger, Janet Duncan, Craig Ehlen, Sandy Hatfield, Charmaine McDowell, Linda Trible & Mary Biever (Foundation Liaison)

Minutes from November 21, 2024 and January 16, 2025 – Minutes were unavailable.

Treasurer's Report as of September 30, 2025 – Craig Ehlen

Fund Balance July 1, 2024	\$5,732.64
Income from Membership dues (86 x 20)	\$1,720.00
Expenditures	(\$1,468.88)
Fund Balance January 31, 2025	\$5,983.76

Detail of Expenditures

Financial aid – Fall 2024	\$ 600.00
Financial aid – Spring 2025	\$ 600.00
Hospitality and public relations	\$ 252.27
Credit card fees	\$ 16.61
Total expenditures	<u>\$1,468.88</u>
Excess of revenue (dues) over expenditures (2024-25)	\$ 251.12

President's Report – Linda Trible

- Vintage Times – Winter/Spring 2025 is ready for distribution at the luncheon today.
- We have 92 RSVPs for the Foundation luncheon
- Scholarship Awards for the spring 2025 semester are:
 - Spence Farmer, GR, Online and Adult Learning
 - Tessa Shade, GR, Athletics Administration
 - Kaylee Simmons, UG, Human Resources
 - Ariana Murray, UG, Undergraduate Admissions
 - Upcoming events
 - Shaw Biology Lecture will be held March 26, in Carter Hall
 - Azalea Path Arboretum and Lunch at R'z Café in Fort Branch will be on Earth Day, April 22. Retirees will be able to explore the grounds on their own. Jeri and Charmaine have offered to drive if anyone needs a ride. Thank you to Charmaine for making the arrangements for this event.

- NOT Back to School Lunch will be at Turoni's on August 12, at 11:30 a.m.
- New Harmony Tour and Lunch – Retirees will gather and take a guided tram tour of Historic New Harmony, with lunch at a local restaurant. There is no cost with a USI ID; cost for others is \$10. Thank you to Terri Branson for making these arrangements. More details will follow.
- The Annual Meeting of USI Retirees will be held on November 20, location to be announced. We have requested City View at Sterling Place but they cannot commit until closer to the date. Everyone seemed to enjoy Jim Bandoli's music. He will be contacted to see if he is interested in playing again.

Old Business

- Updates are needed to the Retiree web site. 2025 Officers, events, and award recipients need to be added. Linda will send the updates to Mary Biever in the Foundation Office.
- The group Facebook page remains active; few retirees post but many search the site for upcoming events and photos
- Online registration for dues remains popular. The credit card fees are minimal and the convenience for retirees outweighs any cost.
- Foundation events
 - There is no President's reception planned for July. Since the University will have a new President, hopefully by July 1, this event will be reevaluated. The Foundation will work with the new President to see how he/she plans to proceed with regards to retirees.

New Business

- Vintage Times – Summer/Fall 2025 – If anyone has ideas for interesting stories, events, etc., that could be included, please let Linda know.
- Annual Meeting – last year some attendees mentioned a sing-a-long event with Jim Bandoli might be fun. Linda will discuss with Jim.

The next meeting of the Retirees Coordinating Council will be held on May 15, 2025, at our regular time, 2:00 p.m., in the Griffin Center.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.