Advisory Board members in attendance: Ed Burkhardt, Linda Burkhardt, Randy Cook, Lloydean Eckley, Josie Garrott, Carole Greer, Debbie Heinsohn, Carmen Imel, Marian Loep, Rob Moerke, Kathie Patterson, Larry Patterson, Judy Row, T.Cay Rowe, Darlene Schmidt, Peggy Townes, Don Tuff and RFSA University Liaison Debra Christian

Advisory Board members absent: Margaret Dunn, Dorothy Evans and Marianne Reese.

Marian called the meeting to order at 10 a.m.

Guest speakers – Abby Hurst, volunteer coordinator and community service liaison with CTMC Hospice Care, and volunteer Murray Cast gave the board an overview of the role and mission of their organization, with suggestions of how board members might help them. One thing we can do is give items to the Hospice Thrift Store. We will accept items for the store at the fall social and invite RFSA members to contribute items.

July 8, 2015, minutes – We will add a hyphen to “Life-Long” in the minutes. Ed moved approval of the minutes, Linda seconded, and all present except Don’s phone voted to approve.

Treasurer’s report – Josie reported a petty cash balance of $142.91, a university account balance of $4,785.38 and a Life-Long Learning account balance of $3,232.53, as of July 31. Lloydean moved approval of the report, Darlene seconded and the motion passed. Ed and Linda will present an audit of the petty cash account at the September meeting.

Advisory Board discussion and action items:

1. Volunteer opportunities through CTMC – In addition to the presentation by the guest speakers, Randy mentioned that Mariposa Apartments have items to donate but no way to get them to the Thrift Store. Debbie offered to get and transport items. We will discuss other ways to contribute after the social.

2. UFCU opportunities
   a. **Koozies** – UFCU cannot commit to giveaway items until after its budget meeting September 8. We will get koozies from the Alumni Association.
   b. **Networking with students** – No report.

3. PR opportunities
   a. T.Cay will send a press release on the social to the *San Marcos Record* and other outlets.
   b. T.Cay will write a spotlight on Al Brieger; Darlene will look for photos of Al.
c. T.Cay asked that someone take a photo of the scholarship recipients at the fall social for later media release.

4. New member/new retirees – Bruce Smith from the Mass Communication Department and Charles Vaughn from Custodial Services are new members. Ted McKinnon from University Advancement and Jackie Slaughter from the Bookstore are retiring in August.

5. Staff Council, Faculty Senate & Human Resources – Debra reported that employees (and therefore retirees) now have additional discounts that were announced recently by HR. An up-to-date list is on the RFSA website.

Don reported that the acquisition of Health Select by Aetna will have no repercussions for retirees that we know of yet.

6. Update of RFSA clubs & committees

A. Program chairs report:

B. Upcoming events

1. Veteran’s Day parade – Planning is on track.
2. Gruene Hall event – Wednesday, November 4, 6-10 p.m., was decided for a date and time, with dinner before at the Gristmill. The Georges are the entertainment at the hall that night.
3. Holiday luncheon December 9 – Planning is on track.
4. Theater matinee and lunch February 21 – Planning is on track.

C. Care Committee – Linda reported that we sent cards to the families of Dan Hannon and W.C. Newberry, and a card to Gloria Maier after her surgery (she is doing well).

D. Fall Social Committee – Don moved and Ed seconded a motion to use $1,000 (of the $3,000 UFCU gave us) for the fall social so that UFCU can be the lead sponsor of the social. The motion passed. We will have a walk through on September 10. Guests will be two from UFCU, scholarship winners and their parents, and Kimberly Garrett, who will be recognized for past service to RFSA. We will get her a bracelet from Things Remembered and pass the hat among the board to pay for it. Ed suggested a framed certificate for her office, as well.

E. Historical Committee – Darlene reminds all to save paperwork like the Memorandum of Understanding between Texas State and the RFSA (attached) for the scrapbook and for online.

F. Investment Club – Rob reported that the club is having dinner August 13 at Imperial Gardens at 6:30.

G. Life-Long Learning – Marianne left a report on where the LLL committee is in planning for fall. They are planning a “presentation series” Thursdays in October and November, 2-3:30 at the library. Each week will be a different speaker. So far “Useful Plants of Ancient Texas” is October 1; “Popular Music: Our good friend as we get older” is October 8; “The Way of Tea: Cha-do, the Japanese Tea Ceremony” is October 22.
Six-week courses in the fall will be “Beginning Watercolor” Thursdays beginning October 8, 1-3 p.m., Dunbar Rec Center; “Learn from the River” Wednesdays beginning October 7, 10-11:30 a.m. at the Activity Center; “iPhone and iPad Basics” Mondays beginning October 5, 10:30 a.m. to noon, at the Activity Center. Also planned but not scheduled are “Beginning Spanish” and “Beginning Bridge.”

H. Scholarship Committee – Ed reported that Kimberley’s group is still reviewing aps.

I. Social Media/Website Update Committee – Let Marian and Debra know of any updates that need to be posted on our website.

7. Off agenda items – We agreed to move the lunch on February 21 before the musical to noon, rather than 11:30 a.m.


Respectfully submitted,

T.Cay Rowe, secretary