#### **AOF Board Minutes April 10, 2010**

Present were Steve Gibbons, Jacqueline Arante, Greg Monahan, Timothy Thompson, Alan Bakalinsky, Bob Becker, and Kemble Yates.

President Greg Monahan called the meeting to order at 10:05 AM.

No formal minutes of the March 6, 2010 meeting were taken. But minutes from the January meeting were approved, and the board received the final legislative report from Kristen Leonard at that meeting.

#### Treasurer's report:

Kemble shared an update of our expenses and income from September 1, 2009 to the present. The debt to PAC continues to be paid down. Kemble reported that an Ameritrade account that he had thought was the OFPAC account is in fact a separate AOF account. The board encouraged Kemble to investigate closing this account and folding it into our Bank of America account. Kemble also relayed that AOF will need to submit a tax return soon, and that he will work with PAC to see that this happens. The board accepted the Treasurer's report.

#### **Campus reports:**

WOU (SG)

• Reminded us that their union contract effectively froze salaries for two years, though the step scale still exists on paper.

# OIT (TT)

- The geothermal project at OIT continues to excite interest.
- Rumor is that state "stimulus" monies will have to be repaid down the line.
- Despite all, administration is still signaling it would like to reduce furlough cuts for 2010-11.

# EOU (GM)

- Provost search very active.
- Contract negotiations still active. No furloughs, but clearly no increases this biennium.
- Enrollment and admissions, up serious concerns about the preparedness of some of these students.

# OSU (AB & BB)

• Faculty – everyone – getting weary about the reorganization talk. To date, since no cuts with associated savings have been identified, there seems little enthusiasm to participate in the process. The final form (three divisions) appears to be

emerging as consolidating the approximately 10 colleges and parsing out the departments (about five to each).

• Furlough cuts WILL be discontinued (ran from January to June 2010) effective next fiscal year.

PSU (JA)

- Jacqueline now serving on 7 (!) task forces. This is the President's effort to at least appear consultative with the faculty and campus community.
- One of these task forces is exploring a merger of PSU with OHSU.
- Enrollment (HC) has grown 7%.
- PSU active in acquiring real estate...
- PSU did reopen bargaining and recently settled. Furloughs are NOT explicitly OUT for next year. Some monies will be restored this month or next in faculty contracts. One million dollars were granted in library, travel, professional development, and technology. Some questions remain as to how these monies will be distributed.

SOU (KY)

- Our union recently signed an MOU extending the early retirement incentive from just tenured faculty to senior instructors as well.
- SOU has recently committed to trying to attain NCAA Division II status for athletics within five years; many folks are dubious we can ever afford this.
- The President and Provost have been receptive to suggestions by many that furloughs for 2010-11 be reduced or eliminated.
- Kemble pitched the APSOU Board the idea of AOF membership for all teaching and research faculty if dues are lowered to \$60/year for SOU faculty. The board had questions, & will probably reply with an offer to the AOF Board including an MOU codifying whatever agreement emerges.

# **New Business**

The Board discussed the annual meeting and election of officers for 2010-11. The board served as nominating committee. Tim Thompson was nominated for President, Alan Bakalinsky was nominated for Vice-President, and Kemble Yates was nominated as Secretary-Treasurer.

**Motion** (Tim Thompson, Stephen Gibbons): We amend the Bylaws, Section 6 Elections, to now read as follows: "Election of officers shall be conducted at or immediate following the Annual Meeting. The ballots shall bear the names of candidates submitted by the Nominating Committee and of candidates accepting nomination from the floor at the Annual Meeting." The motion passed unanimously.

The board agreed to hold the annual meeting on May 22 at PSU. Kemble will make sure this gets posted on the AOF web site.

Meeting adjourned: 1:07 PM