

Silver Jackets Meeting

Tuesday May 9, 2017

Georgia Tech Student Center, Room 343

Minutes

Members Attending (19) Kathy Tomajko (Library), CA Johnston Folds (Language Institute), Susan Keenan (Language Institute), Andy Smith (Psych & Provost), Pat Davis (COS), Sam Shelton (ME), Don Runnion (Library), Nannette Dooley (Library), Janis Goddard (OSP), Walter Allen (Purchasing), Earl Rondeau (Real Estate Development), Earl Cagle (Purchasing), Harriet Thuesen (Visitor), Jerry Thuesen (ISYE), Steve H. Bomar, Jr. (GTRI), T. Morley (Math), William L. Green (Math), John Balsam (GTRI), Steve Dickerson (ME).

Business Meeting

Kathy Tomajko, Vice-President, called the meeting to order and had everyone introduce him or herself. She then provided updates on the administration of Health Benefits beginning June 26. More information is to be provided by mail on how to access the OneUSG Benefits Connect website and the OneUSG Benefits Call Center, and how to update your USG benefit billing information.

Announcements passed on by Ron Bohlander, President, who was travelling:

- Basics of the new OneUSG program for benefits:
- Here is a copy of the letter from OHR mailed us:
http://ohr.gatech.edu/sites/default/files/documents/oneusg_-_usg_gt_-_retiree_letter.final_.pdf
- Additional information can be found here:
<http://ohr.gatech.edu/oneusg-retirees>
- Aon Health Exchange not affected or involved in any way with OneUSG.
- OneUSG will be a new system to manage what has up to now been managed by the GT Bursar's Office and GT HR

- It will handle billings and payments for Dental, Vision, Supplemental Life Insurance, and pre-65 health insurance (those not covered by Aon Health Exchange), if these were handled through Bursar's Office.
- The last deductions for these things through our checking accounts by the Bursar's Office will be for the month of June.
- We do not need to do anything to turn that off for the period after June.
- Starting June 26 we can go to the OneUSG Connect portal (to be announced) and enter our direct debit bank info to switch over to the new system.
- If we get that done by July 9, then the first direct debit will occur in early August for the cost of July and August benefits.
- If we get it done after July 9, we will get a paper bill and will continue to get them until we supply direct debit info.
- We must enter direct debit info by Nov. 30 to comply with USG policy, or in exceptional cases, we can apply for a waiver.
- The OneUSG Call Center number available **after June 26** is 1-844-587-4236. Until that phone number goes live, one may call 1-855-214-2644 with questions.

Additional announcements from Kathy Tomajko:

- Ron plans to gather the officers together at a time that works for as many as possible during summer to discuss potential Silver Jacket activity enhancements. We have seen many possibilities through our recent interactions with GA-HERO and USGRC. Further ideas are welcome from SJ members.
- Anyone who has a change of email address, please let us know so we can keep them plugged in to SJ communications.
- Silver Jackets were represented at the April 7 meeting of the USG Retiree Council and May 5 meeting of GA-HERO – the Georgia Higher Education Retiree Organizations.

Program

Kathy Tomajko introduced Ms. Jody Thompson, Head of Archives and Records Management, Georgia Tech Library. The Georgia Tech Archives collects, preserves, and makes available organizational records, personal archives, visual materials, artifacts and rare books. These materials document

the history of Georgia Tech and the activities of its faculty, staff, students and alumni. Also included are special collections from outside organizations: Southeastern Design Archives, Southeastern Textile Mills, Science Fiction, and Science and technology rare books. Ms. Thompson shared with us a display of some rare materials from the Library that we could examine. She provided information about the new library buildings are being constructed.

Next Meeting: will be Tuesday, Sept. 12, at 11 am. Our speaker will be President Bud Peterson who will provide us an overview of his 2017 State of the Institute Address and respond to our questions.

We will be using a temporary location on Sept. 12 to accommodate more members: the GTRI Conference Center, 250 14th St., NW (near 14th and the intersection of the Downtown Connector (I-75/I-85)). There is free and easy parking for us in a parking building on the premises.

Respectfully submitted,
Janis Goddard
Secretary