

Silver Jackets Meeting

Tuesday October 10, 2017

Georgia Tech Student Center, Room 343

Minutes

Members Attending (19) Kathy Tomajko (Library), Ron Bohlander (GTRI), Len Parsons (Mgt), Andy Smith (Psych & Provost), 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), Mary Duncan (Development), Wayne Book (ME), Barbara Henry (GTRC), Jo Freeman (Laser Dynamics), Sally Hammock (Student Ctr/CAE).

Business Meeting

Ron Bohlander, President, called the meeting to order and had everyone introduce him or herself. He then introduced Jim Wallace from Human Resources. Jim Wallace spoke to us about open enrollment, healthcare benefits, and the Aon exchange for USG retirees over 65. All enrollment is online through One USG or over the phone. The One USG website (www.connect-benefits.usg.edu) can be found under the HR website.

Sally Hammock announced that the Holiday luncheon meeting will be held on December 5th at Petite Violette; the cost will be \$32.

Nominees for 2018 Silver Jacket officers were introduced and elected:

Kathy Tomajko, President
John Balsam, Vice-President
Janis Goddard, Secretary
Earl Cagle, Treasurer

Program

Kathy Tomajko introduced our speaker, Howard S. Wertheimer, GT Asst. VP, Capital Planning and Space Management. Dr. Wertheimer talked about the Living Building at Georgia Tech. This Kendeda funded building will be located at the corner of Ferst and State Street with a scheduled completion

date of December 2018. The building design is committed to net zero energy, net zero water, and no toxic materials. The project will involve conservation of material and will use materials from other buildings on campus that have been demolished. The design competition involved students and what was learned will influence the building of other facilities on campus. March 2020 is the target date for the Living Building Challenge Certification. Dr. Wertheimer completed his talk by telling us about other interesting building projects on campus.

Announcements

Kathy Tomajko provided following announcements:

Speakers for the November 14th meeting, Dr. Ann Pearman and Dr. Chris Hertzog, GT School of Psychology, will discuss “Optimal Aging in the 21st Century.”

January 9, 2018: STEM Education will be discussed by Dr. Lizanne DeStefano, Executive Director of CEISMC and Professor, School of Psychology, and Leigh McCook, Principal Research Associate and Division Chief, Socio-Technical Systems Division, GTRI Information and Communications Lab.

Silver Jackets has joined AROHE, Association of Retirement Organizations in Higher Education.

The December 5 Silver Jackets Holiday Luncheon will be held at Petite Violette, 2948 Clairmont Rd., NE Atlanta.

Len Parsons spoke about Medicare, the Medicare Open Enrollment Period, and pharmacy benefits. Len also handed out a sheet that detailed important information concerning the various aspects of Medicare.

Respectfully submitted,
Janis Goddard
Secretary