

GSW Retiree Association Board
Minutes of the Tue 13 May 2008 Meeting
5:30 pm, June and David Ewing's House

The meeting was called to order by Jay Cliett, Chair.

Board members present were Richard Baringer, Jay Cliett, Barbara DeStefano, David Ewing, June Ewing, Liz Kelly, Bill Kipp, Martha Maddox, and Tom Wheeler.

Observations and comments from others regarding the Thu 24 April picnic were quite favorable in regards to the location, the food, and the entertainment. The negative comments were that the line was too long, there were too many desserts, and there were no alcoholic beverages available.

The results of the surveys distributed to those who attended were discussed. The activities that showed the greatest interest were 1) luncheons/breakfasts, 2) trips or reports on trips taken by others, and 3) coffees/ice cream socials.

A suggestion was made that retirees could gather at the Wednesday faculty/staff buffets at GSW, perhaps sitting together and listening to a speaker (maybe someone reporting on travels or an international GSW student talking about her/his country).

A day trip to Calloway Gardens was suggested. Perhaps the bus of First United Methodist Church in Americus could be used. Bill Kipp said he would inquire about bus availability.

Bill Kipp said he would follow up on GSW ID cards for retirees. He will let Tom Wheeler know.

Members of the service committee reported that Josh Curtin says that the coffee and refreshments available at STORM days were for everybody—not just parents of freshmen. Josh said the best time would be from 2:00 until 3:30 while parents are waiting for their sons or daughters to register. The STORM committee would provide drinks (e.g., lemonade and bottled water). Retirees could provide homemade cookies.

It would be nice for those retirees who help with STORM to have name tags that identify the unit of GSW with which they had been associated.

June Ewing will look into a time (perhaps in September) when retirees could meet. Maybe Duke and Brenda Jackson would be willing to talk about their travels.

Liz Kelly will ask Ginger Perry what it would take to have a web page and an online newsletter.

Our next meeting will be Mon 11 Aug 2008 at 2:00 pm in the President's Conference Room.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:35 pm and followed by informal dining and conversation.

Tom Wheeler
Vice Chair/Secretary