

Minutes
People Helping People
March 20 2014

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 am, March 20, 2014, in the faculty lounge. In attendance were Debbi Dinkins, President, KC Ma, Treasurer, Kimberly Reiter, Secretary, Jane Bradford, Mitchell Reddish, Manuel de Murga and Richard Wood.

The Minutes for 2013 were reviewed and approved.

The donations for 2013 were reviewed. Only five grant proposals were considered in the last year, with four funded and one denied. The successful applicants were Students Reach Out (after a first request was denied), iDignity DeLand, Living Water Free Methodist Church and Heart House. It was noted that 2013 was a slow year for granting, with \$8140 donated, as opposed to the \$15, 675 given in the previous year of activity.

Ma noted that the PHP accounts were in excellent shape, and for the first time ever topped \$300,000, in part because of a good market. The checking account reached \$12,130 by the beginning of the annual meeting, having been at 6,660.30 at the time of the 2013 annual meeting. However, the monthly deposit payroll stands at \$718, which has declined from \$765 at the time of the 2013 annual meeting. This was attributed to retirement of PHP members and the lack of new subscription by incoming faculty (although some retirees continue to send monthly checks).

The floor was opened to discussion about promoting membership.

1. Chairs and orientation leaders could be informed to spread the word at the beginning of the year. KC Ma volunteered to organize this endeavor.
2. It was felt a more aggressive approach to recruiting at year's beginning was needed.
3. KC Ma will send out an e-mail template to all current contributors, encouraging them to "talk it up" with colleagues.
4. A promotion for continued involvement and contribution will be made for the Summit Club. It was suggested that Gareth Williams be contacted, and that current projects be highlighted.

Under new business, the floor was opened to suggestions for bringing in more grant proposals, as well as directions for promotion of the PHP grants. General discussion followed on finding groups in need.

1. Individuals with charity connections could be asked.
2. Churches and the Rotary could be contacted
3. The Social Entrepreneurship Program might be perfect for start-up requests.

Eric Kurlander and Richard Wood have asked to retire from the Executive Board, and it was suggested that younger faculty members be approached as replacements. Debbi Dinkins is happy to continue for one more year as President and will step down in 2015.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:42 am

Respectfully submitted

Kimberly Reiter, Secretary