

Torch Club of Columbus
Board of Directors Meeting Minutes
Thursday, April 6, 2023
Location: OSU Faculty Club

Torch Club Board Members 2022-2023

TITLE	NAME	PRESENT (Y) or ABSENT (N)
President	Susan Tilgner	Y
President-Elect	Rai Goerler	Y
Past President (Nominating)	Nancy Wardwell	Y
Secretary	Thom Seelbach	Y
Fellowship – Recording Secretary	Diane Selby	Y
Treasurer	Dave Lenz	Y
Newsletter Editor	Steve Sterrett	Y
Region V Director	Nancy Wardwell	Y
Director at Large (Membership)	Dorothy Driskell	Y
Director at Large	Paul Niswander	Y
Director at Large	Christina Atzberger	Y
Director at Large	David Hansen	Y

The meeting was called to order by Susan Tilgner at 4:30 pm.

The minutes from the meeting of March 2, 2023, were approved by consensus.

Secretary Report

Thom Seelbach reported that reservations were made for 54 for the April meeting.

Treasurer's Report

David Lenz presented the Treasurer's report to the Board. The current balance as of April 6, 2023, is \$15,459.59. Expected expenses next month: \$75.00 dues to OSUFC; March dinner, Travel to IATC meeting, and member pins.

The IRS application for tax status is on hold for now. The dues of \$2,825 to IATC have been paid. The cost for the web site of \$368.30 has also been paid. To date there are 58 paid members (active and inactive).

Fellowship Report

Diane Selby reported that Kent Birmingham will be the Member Moment this month presented by Connie Oulanoff. Rides are being provided as requested. No cards or notes were sent this past month. Let the committee know of anyone we should send to.

Membership

Dorothy Driskell reported there are three potential new members to be greeted tonight as guests. Paul Beck, Ron Currin, and Diane Dressen.

Newsletter

Steve Sterrett mentioned that he will be including news from IATC in the local newsletters to all members.

Website

Rai Goerler announced that 26 visits had been made to the club website. The web site is up to date.

District V and IATC Report

Nancy Wardwell reported that she is communicating with all the clubs in District V. Lima has 19 members, Akron 17, and Youngstown 11. It was suggested that members of other clubs in the state could be invited to attend our programs.

Program Committee

Chaired by Rai Goerler, the committee has finalized all programs for next season.

Old Business

The IATC convention this summer will probably have four or five Columbus Torch Club members in attendance. IATC used to credit the club with \$1,500 but this year the stipend will be only \$300. The president of our club is the official voting delegate. Steve Sterrett moved that the President, President Elect, Secretary, and Membership Director of the Columbus Torch Club should be supported each with \$300 from the club treasury for attending the 2023 IATC Convention. Chris Atzberger seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

The previous motion to purchase defibrillators for the Faculty Club was discussed as it had been learned that the University must install and train staff in proper usage. The cost was estimated to be \$3,400 which is more than the treasury could support. Steve Sterrett suggested that there might be a negotiation with the Faculty Club about splitting the cost. Further investigation will transpire and for the moment this issue is on hold.

New Business

The Nominating Committee will meet to select a slate of candidates for the next Torch Club year. The committee is chaired by the past-president and includes the current and president-elect. Steve Sterrett pointed out that the slate will need to be published in the next newsletter.

Next Board Meeting

The next meeting will be on May 4 at 4:30 pm at the Faculty Club.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:30 pm.

Diane Selby, Recording Secretary