

Torch Club of Columbus
Board of Directors Meeting Minutes
Thursday May 4, 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	N
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 April 6, 2023, were approved by consensus.

Secretary Report

Thom Seelbach reported that reservations were made for 59 for the May meeting including 14 guests. He also said that tonight he would be updating the yearbook/directory for next season. Each attendee will be asked to check their entry for any needed changes. The registration table will have a booklet and Nancy Wardwell will also help to circulate it during the dinner.

Treasurer's Report

David Lenz presented the Treasurer's report to the Board. The current balance as of May 4, 2023, is \$13,456.59. Expected expenses next month: \$75.00 dues to OSUFC; April dinner, \$1,500 Travel to IATC meeting, and member pins.

The IRS application for tax status is on hold for now. The dues to IATC may go up next year, as well as Faculty Club costs, so the local dues will be set at the August Board Meeting. David estimates that we should end this year with approximately a \$10,000 balance.

Fellowship Report

Diane Selby reported that Warren Langdon will be the Member Moment this month presented by his son Jason Langdon and daughter Jamie Langdon Babione. He has invited a total of 7 guests to sit at his reserved table offering a wonderful way to showcase Torch Club and seek new members. 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 presented the application for membership from Paul Beck. Steve Sterrett moved, and Nancy Wardwell seconded the motion to approve the application. Motion passed unanimously. Paul Beck will be introduced tonight as a new member. His wife has indicated a desire to join later in the fall.

Newsletter

Steve Sterrett mentioned there will be a September newsletter after Labor Day to publish the program for the year.

Website

No report.

District V and IATC Report

Nancy Wardwell reported that she has visited the Lima and Youngstown clubs in District V. They may be small, but they are organized and hold interesting programs on papers presented by their members. Columbus has the largest membership followed by Toledo. The Board members congratulated Nancy for her good work.

IATC is contemplating a raise in dues at the convention June 22-25, 2023, in Baltimore, MD. It is anticipated that dues will go from \$50 to \$75 per member if the motion passes. This will influence what our Torch Club will need to charge for membership next season.

Program Committee

Chairman Rai Goerler emailed his report that the committee has finalized all programs for next season.

Old Business

Dorothy Driskett reported that she had talked with the Faculty Club regarding the cost to purchase defibrillators. She offered that Torch Club might consider splitting the cost with the Faculty Club. Her contact said she would get back to Dorothy, but to date she has not had a response. The issue is on hold.

New Business

The Nominating Committee will report a slate of candidates for the next Torch Club year at the August board meeting.

Next Board Meeting

The next meeting will be on August 3, 2023, at 3:00 pm at the Worthington Library on Hard Road.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:15 pm.

Diane Selby, Recording Secretary