



Torch Club of Columbus
Board of Directors Meeting Summary
Thursday, May 5, 2022
Location: OSU Faculty Club

Torch Club Board Members 2021-2022

TITLE	NAME	Present (Y) or Absent (N)
President	Nancy Wardwell	Y
President-Elect	Susan Tilgner	Y
Past President (Nominating)	Susan Warrener Smith	N
Secretary	Thom Seelbach	Y
Assistant Secretary (Fellowship)	Diane Selby	Y
Treasurer	Howard Gauthier	N
Assistant Treasurer	David Lenz	Y
Newsletter Editor	Steve Sterrett	Y
Region V Director	Violet Meek	Y
Director-at-Large (Membership)	Dorothy Driskell	Y
Director-at-Large	Paul Niswander	Y
Director-at-Large (Website Editor)	Rai Goerler	Y
Director-at-Large	Christina Atzberger	Y

The meeting was called to order by Nancy Wardwell at 4:30 pm. She expressed congratulations to Dorothy Driskell on her marriage Wednesday to Gary Hinzman.

The minutes of the April 7, 2022, meeting as previously circulated were approved with a motion from Susan Tilgner and seconded by Dorothy Driskell.

Secretary Report

Thom Seelbach shared that the attendance number for the evening is 43. He has continued to follow up on members who do not respond to the monthly email

invitations. He also announced that our meeting dates for next year have been submitted to the Faculty Club. This task will be noted as part of the stated duties of the Club secretary.

Treasurer's Report

Howard Gauthier was not present, but his printed report was distributed. Total revenue to date \$15,519; total expenses to date \$18,363.96; balance in checking account \$23,863.63.

Assistant Treasurer David Lentz mentioned that the transition of treasurers will occur after June 2 or 3. There is a new Faculty Club manager so prices will probably increase for next year. He said currently only one person is listed on the checking account and it was felt there should be at least two people listed. Steve Sterrett moved that the treasurer be listed first, and the secretary also be added as a second signature with an assistant treasurer (if one is added as part of the Board) as a third signature. Violet Meek seconded the motion. Motion passed.

The Fiscal year is June 1 – May 31 according to our Bylaws.

David asked who should write the checks for IATC Conference attendees and when and how should they be distributed? It was decided that Howard should write and mail as soon as possible the \$300 check to each of the five attending the conference.

Nomination Committee Report

Susan Smith will present the proposed slate of members of the Torch Board of Directors for 2022-2023 at the business meeting this evening. She will read the entire listing of the proposed Board.

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Fellowship Report

Violet Meek will be our Member's Moment at tonight's meeting being presented by her husband Don Dell. Special cards or notes have been sent by committee members for thinking of you and get well wishes. Several committee members have been generous in providing rides to members who requested them. A Letter has been written to each of our current inactive members to encourage them to attend the special June meeting and that we hope they will rejoin us next year.

Membership

Dorothy Driskell reported that there are no new members this month. She encouraged us to invite to membership people of different backgrounds paying attention to segments in addition to just education. A suggestion was made that we offer incentives for new members to join. This discussion will be given more time at the summer Board Meeting.

Newsletter

Steve Sterrett announced that he has 10 years of newsletters archived on his computer and he asked for how best to transfer this to our archives at OSU? Rai Goerler said to check with archives as there is mixed feelings about submitting electronic or printed materials. Steve also asked what newsletter format the Board preferred. The consensus was to continue with the PDF format. He will have a June newsletter encouraging attendance at the June event.

Website

Rai Goerler reported there were 28 visits to the website in April which was down about 10 from the previous month. The speaker from April was asked for his materials to post on the website but to date this has not been given to Rai. Discussion followed again regarding the need for permission for use of any copywrite materials. It is up to the speaker to obtain proper permission or to decline to have it posted.

District V and IATC Reports

Violet Meek was welcomed back to the Board as the new District V Director. She plans to visit with the clubs in the district and to share the hope that speakers might be invited from one club to another for presentation.

Old Business

IATC History Project

Rai Goerler reported that the positions of researchers and editors for each of the five decades to be covered by the history update project are now complete. Guidelines are being established and work will be in process for the next several years with a deadline date of 2024.

IATC Conference Attendance

There are 5 members attending the conference: President (Nancy Wardwell), IATC Board Members (Rich Davis and Dorothy Driskell), Region 5 Representative (Violet Meek), and Board Secretary (Thom Seelbach).

New Business

Susan Tilgner reported that the programs for next year are in place. She said a speaker had asked the preference of the Board on his presentation and it was decided that the focus should be on the “work force.” She will establish a date for the summer Board meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 5:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Diane Selby