

ULARP REPORT TO FACULTY SENATE

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ULARP held its Annual Business Luncheon on 30 July 2024 at the University Club, sponsored by President Schatzel, who spoke to members and their guests about the important role they play in furthering the University mission. A Louisville Bats game on August 22nd brought members together again for an evening of baseball and camaraderie.

At the 20 August 2024 meeting of the Board, current officers were re-elected: Sande Johnson-Byers, President; Mary Rising, Treasurer and Interim Vice-President (as well as program chairperson); and Michael Cuyjet, Secretary. For 2024-2025, Brenda Gunn will serve as newsletter editor, Virginia Hosano as archivist, and John Smith as Staff Senate representative. Elaine Wise continues as Faculty Senate representative.

For the new academic semester, ULARP will sponsor a Homecoming Brunch as well as several Wellness Seminars, the first scheduled for 10 September 2024 at the University Club. It will focus on POLST, a physician's orders for life sustaining treatment. Stay tuned for the October seminar on Hospice/Hospice care.

ULARP is dedicated to advocating for the best interests of former U of L employees in terms of benefits, communication, and opportunity. We now serve over 300 retirees at various functions, and continue efforts to participate actively in decision-making that affects their wellbeing. To that end, we look forward to hosting the new Vice President of Human Resources at an upcoming Board meeting and to learning how retirees will participate in open enrollment this coming year.

One of our recent successes is the highlighting of outstanding and dedicated retirees in the *U of L Magazine*. The fall edition will feature a retiree who is well known to Faculty Senate!