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ULARP's Annual Members' Luncheon and Annual Meeting were held on 17 June 2025 at the University Club. Welcoming remarks were made by Acting Provost Katie Cardarelli. Sixtyone members and guests enjoyed the event, the meal and the spirited conversation.

ULARP Vice President (and rising President) John Smith called the Annual Meeting to order and introduced Board members and invited guests. Current membership totals 305. The budget is stable, so dues for the coming year will remain the same. Darrell Clark, VP for Human Resources discussed updates to the benefit plans, changes in United Healthcare coverage, changes in retirement investments, and announced the new physical location for the HR offices on campus. He invited questions and assured the assembly that ULARP will be engaged in early discussion of any changes.

Brenda Gunn was recognized for her service as she steps down from the Board. Three new Board members were elected: Judy Bristow, Barbara Caspar, and Sam Miller.

Elaine Wise presented the Revised ULARP Constitution and Bylaws for review and adoption. Following discussion and several small changes in wording, they were unanimously adopted and will be posted on the website and sent to all members.

A health seminar on "AI in Medicine and Healthcare" is scheduled for July 8, 11am to noon, at the University Club. Dr. Ayman El-Baz, Chairman of the Department of Bioengineering at Speed and Distinguished University Scholar, will describe AI's use in research as well as in diagnoses.

The July ULARP Newsletter is in production.

Stay tuned for more events in the late summer and fall.