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Elaine Wise, ULARP Liaison to the Faculty Senate

The Board welcomed two new members, Barbara Casper and Sam Miller, to its 19 August 2025 meeting. It voted to appoint John Smith as president, Mary Rising as treasurer, and Michael Cuyjet as secretary, with Sande Johnson-Byers serving ex officio as past president.

ULARP continues to seek ways to both celebrate its retirees and to keep them involved in the University community. In light of those goals, it has championed an annual spotlight on a retiree in the *UofL Magazine*. The names of three retiree nominees for the coming year were approved to be sent forward, with one to be selected by the editors.

In light of ULARP's commitment to the wellbeing of our members and due diligence on the matter of retiree benefits, the Board continues to be concerned about the cost and coverage of United Healthcare supplemental insurance policies for retirees and seeks to meet with key decision makers about Medicare and Medicare Advantage plans. It is our understanding that the Benefits Design Workgroup and HR Advisory Committees are to be relaunched this fall, and that ULARP will have representation.

The Annual Luncheon was held on 17 June with over sixty in attendance, and the seminar on AI in Medicine and Healthcare on 8 July was well received. Members will attend the U of L Volleyball game vs. Kentucky on 18 September, and ULARP is planning a Homecoming Brunch during the week of 20 October as it participates in the annual "Raise Some L" fundraiser that week. A seminar on "Exercise as We Age" is scheduled for 4 November. The University Club has announced an event to celebrate the Founding Members of the Club on 18 October, and ULARP is well represented!

Welcome back!

Elaine Wise, Professor Emerita