UNOPA General Membership Meeting Minutes  
November 14, 2017  
11:45 a.m.-1:00 p.m.  
Willa Cather Dining Complex

CALL TO ORDER  
President Barbara Homer called the meeting to order at 12:05 p.m.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES  
Minutes of the October 10, 2017 general membership meeting were emailed to the membership prior to the meeting.  Donna Bode moved: “I move to approve the October 10, 2017 minutes as presented.”  Seconded by Gretchen Mills.  Motion passed by a show of hands of those in attendance.

OFFICER REPORTS  
Treasurer’s Report.  The October 2017 treasurer’s report was emailed to the membership prior to the meeting and will be filed for audit.

COMMITTEE REPORTS  
Corresponding Secretary:  Katherine Schwartman announced that the Giving Tree is on display in the back of the room.  Pick an ornament to purchase a gift card for Lynette’s Angels.  The gift card can be for any amount.  Gift cards should be brought to the December meeting.  President Homer read a thank you note from Kara Burwell on behalf of Lynette’s Angels.  President Homer encouraged everyone to purchase a gift card and think about nominating a family for Lynette’s Angels next year.

Bradley Munn Foundation:  Tricia Liedle gave a brief history and overview of the fund.

Professional Standards Program (PSP):  Debbie Hendricks announced that there are no new PSP recipients.  All PSP recipients in attendance were asked to stand and be recognized.  Those who re-certified their PSP this past year stood and were recognized.

Employee Concerns:  Kathy Schindler reported that a UNOPA representative for the Parking Advisory Committee is still needed.

Membership:  Kelsey Sims reported on the current membership: 4 new, 62 active, 4 associate, 10 retired, 1 honorary, and 1 lifetime.  If you are not receiving listserv emails, let Kelsey know.  Kelsey is trying something new with Facebook.  She asked that members take a look at it.  She also mentioned the cell phone holders at each table are free to take.

UNOPA Notes:  President Homer reported on behalf of Judy Anderson.  The November and December 2017 UNOPA Notes issues will be combined.  November 20, 2017 is the deadline for submission.

Outreach:  Gretchen Mills reported that Secret Friends is up and running.  Mikki Sandin announced that the 50/50 drawing total amount collected was $57.00.  $28.50 will be given to Lynette’s Angels.  Debbie Hendricks was the winner of $28.50.  Two people at each table were winners of the Friendship Soup jars.

PROGRAM  
LaRita Lang introduced two of the judges present for this year’s Floyd S. Oldt Awards, Andrew Kitzing, Pastor of Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church, Lincoln, and James Plucknett, President, Four Star Drug & Gifts.  LaRita announced this year’s nominees for the Floyd S. Oldt Boss of the Year Award:  Mark Balschweid, nominated by Jennifer Greenlee; Catia Guerrero, nominated by Lisa King; Sherri Jones, nominated by Julie Lanxon; and Mindy Anderson-Knott, nominated by
Gretchen Mills. Wendy Smith, the 2016 Boss of the Year Award recipient, gave a brief speech and announced this year’s winner. The winner of the 2017 Floyd S. Oldt Boss of the Year Award is Catia Guerrero.

President Homer mentioned that it is unfortunate there were no nominations for the Floyd S. Oldt Silver Pen and Outstanding Staff Awards this year. She hopes that next year people will take the time to nominate so that deserving people receive recognition. These nominations are more meaningful when they come from a supervisor or co-workers.

ANNOUNCEMENTS
President Homer announced that we are again collecting Box Tops for Education. Hartley Elementary School will be the recipient this year. She thanked Marcy Tintera for offering to coordinate this activity again.

The next meeting of the general membership will be December 12, 2017 at the Nebraska Union. Special entertainment will be provided by a colleague, Professor Chris Eskridge, from the School of Criminology and Criminal Justice.

President Homer adjourned the meeting at 12:43 p.m.

Submitted by Marsha Yelden, Recording Secretary