

EMERITI ASSOCIATION BOARD MEETING MINUTES
August 4, 2014

President Brenda Vasicek called the meeting to order at 9:40 a.m.

Members Present: Bob Carter, Doug Haneline, Sayed Hashimi, Barb Johnson, Jerena Keys, Walt Luecke, Jeffrey Nagelbush, Jerry Slywka and Brenda Vasicek.

Announcements: The 140th annual meeting and state history conference of the Historical Society of Michigan will be held in Big Rapids September 26-28. Ferris is one of the sponsors of the meeting. Information is available at hsmichigan.org.

Secretary's Minutes were approved as corrected.

Treasurer's Report: There was no treasurer's report. Sayed Hashimi will be interim treasurer as needed. Theresa Foust, Sayed Hashimi, Doug Haneline, and Walt Luecke will look into making a budget for the association.

Alumni Office Liaison Report: There was no report.

Social: EA Picnic at Hemlock Park (starting at noon) with the EA Golf Outing and hors d'oeuvres to follow at Katke on August 13, 2014. Fall Luncheon will be on October 8, 2014, at Clear Lake with a pasta buffet. Winter Dinner will be on December 9, 2014, location to be determined.

Service: Jerena Keys reported the deaths of emeriti Raymond Ebmeier and Linda Tingley. Also reported was the death on long time Ferris employee Leonard Frank Ralston.

Membership: Seven new emeriti were added to the association. Brenda sent information packets to all new members. Doug Haneline reported that most emeriti live in Michigan, particularly in Mecosta and neighboring counties.

Publicity: There was no report.

Ad Hoc EA Student Scholarship: There was no report.

Professional Concerns: The University Center is currently 2 ½ to 3 weeks behind but is scheduled to be completed on time. Ferris has increased wages to conform to increased minimum wage. FSU plans to spend \$3.5 million for academic space improvements.

Florida and Arizona Liaison Updates: Nothing new to report from Florida and Arizona but Bob Carter reported that Mary Jean Keating was interested in organizing a Grand Rapids emeriti group.

Newsletter: The Fall newsletter deadline is August 5, 2014 and is scheduled to be distributed by September 1, 2014.

Survey update: Only one person responded. Ways were discussed to more successfully get member feedback.

Senate Meetings: A new schedule for sign-ups was passed around and board members signed up to attend senate meetings.

Old Business: An EA workshop for MS 365 replacement for Lotus Notes was held on July 31. Five people attended and found it quite useful. The Association can now use the FSUEA e-mail.

New Business: Discussion was held concerning the implications for the association of having KCAD retirees becoming members. Questions were asked as to the association's place in the University hierarchy. It was also suggested that the Association might have members attend Board of Trustee meetings and present our issues to the board.

Next Meetings and Upcoming Events

August 13 – EA Picnic [Hemlock Park] and Golf/Fun Outing [Katke]

September 8 – EA BOD meeting

October 6 – EA BOD meeting

October 8 – Fall Luncheon at Clear Lake

November 3 – EA BOD meeting

December 1 – EA BOD meeting

December 9 – Winter Dinner

Adjournment: 11:21 a.m.

Jeffrey Nagelbush
Secretary