EMERITI ASSOCIATION BOARD MEETING MINUTES
April 13, 2015

President Brenda Vasicek called the meeting to order at 10:04 a.m.

Members Present: Bob Carter, Doug Haneline, Jim Jacobs, Barb Johnson, Jerena Keys, Walt Luecke, MaryKay MacIver, Jeffrey Nagelbush, Jerry Slywka, and Brenda Vasicek.
Guest: Dale Hobart

Announcements: There will be an FSU EA event in Grand Rapids on April 23. The event will include dinner at the B.O.B. at Bobarino’s at 5 pm and a guided tour of the newest exhibit at the GRAM.

Secretary’s minutes were approved.

Treasurer’s Report: The current fund balance for the association is $3,553.92.
A committee of Jerena Keys, Bob Krueger, and Sayed Hashimi produced a proposed budget for 2015. Doug Haneline made a motion to adopt the budget proposal. The motion was seconded by Bob Carter and passed unanimously.

How to get information about Emeriti participation on committees was discussed. This information will be used to bolster a request for funds.
MaryKay MacIver will try to get a report on Emeriti donations to Ferris for the next meeting.

Alumni Office Liaison Report: MaryKay MacIver reported that the annual Alumni Golf Outing will be held on Friday, May 15, 2015 at Buck’s Run Golf Club in Mt. Pleasant, Mich.
The Third Annual Bulldog Bike Tour will be held on Saturday, June 20, 2015.
A suggestion was made that Alumni events should be on the Ferris calendar.
The Emeriti Board wants a way to have the directory of Emeriti on-line. Dale Hobart volunteered to look into how this might be accomplished.
Kendall faculty are eligible for Emeriti status.

Social: Walt Luecke reported that the Soup Talk was a success. It was suggested that it be permanently be moved from January to February.
The Emeriti Spring Luncheon will be held Wednesday, May 13, 2015 at the University Center. The luncheon will be held in the food court at 12 noon. The cost in $10 and reservations by April 30th are required.
The fall picnic and golf outing will be held on August 12th. The picnic will be at noon at Hemlock Park. The golf outing will be at 2pm at Katke.

Service: A brief discussion was held concerning some member health issues. The deaths of the following Emeriti were reported: Dr. Thomas Colladay, Mr. Dale Harrison, Mr. Alfred Rigsbee, and Mr. Raymond Helsing, Jr. It was also reported that Dr. Scott Atwell of FLIGHT unexpectedly passed away.
Membership: Twelve new members were added to the association. The names can be found in the April newsletter.

    Barb Johnson reported that 26 Emeriti and 12 alumni met in Arizona. The next Arizona meeting will be on February 4, 2016.

Publicity: MaryKay MacIver was thanked for making sure this meeting was announced in Ferris’ University Wide Notices.

Professional Concerns: Jerry Slywka reported on the large donation to the College of Pharmacy.

Ad Hoc EA Student Scholarship: Bob Carter reported that EA Scholarship Endowment currently has $7010.17. We need $25,000 to make the endowment viable. Emeriti have donated over three million dollars to Ferris. The Board discussed how to encourage our members to give to this fund. The University Advancement department requested that the Emeriti Board create a fundraising committee.

    Senate Meeting: Jerena Keys reported that the Senate asked for greater support for on-line learning and technology in the classroom. The Senate approved Bachelor’s Degrees in Industrial Chemistry and Spanish in Business.

    The Senate asked if retiring people could be seated up front during commencement.

    Paul Blake was named the new Provost and Charles Bacon was elected president of FFA.

Newsletter: The next newsletter deadline is June 1. The Newsletter will publish names of those who give to the Emeriti Association.

Old Business: Proposed changes to the Constitution and Bylaws will be available at the spring luncheon.

New Business: Two individuals, Dale Hobart and Doug Haneline, were proposed as new members of the Board. Other proposed names will be presented at the next meeting.

Next Meetings and Upcoming Events:

    April 23- EA event in Grand Rapids
    April 28- Senate meeting
    May 4- EA BOD meeting, 10:00, PRK 114
    May 13- Spring Luncheon at the University Center
    April 28- Senate Meeting

Adjournment: 12:11 p.m.
Jeffrey Nagelbush, Secretary