

EMERITI ASSOCIATION BOARD MEETING MINUTES
October 2, 2017

President Doug Haneline called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

Members Present: Robert Friar, Doug Haneline, Jim Jacobs, Barb Johnson, Jerena Keys, Bob Krueger, Walt Luecke, Jeffrey Nagelbush, Jane Pole, and Randy Vance
Guest Present: Bob Carter, Jake Martin, Brenda Vasicek

September minutes were approved (motion by Barb Johnson, seconded by Walt Luecke).

Jake Martin, FSU Chief Technology Officer, discussed what services we can get.

President's Report: President Haneline reported that the Emeriti Association is no longer being invited to Senate meetings.

There will be informational picketing at Kendall on October 6, from 10 to 2.

The Ferris Foundation Dinner will be on November 10th at the Steelcase ballrooms at DeVos Place. Emeriti can get in for half price.

Treasurer's Report: Randy Vance reported that the treasury currently has \$3860.23. The scholarship fund currently is \$43,814. There is \$1500 awardable money.

University Advancement Liaison Report: MaryKay MacIver reported that the President's Office has approved an annual budget of \$3,000 for the Emeriti Association. The transfer has already occurred. The amount will cover the cost of the newsletters, with approximately \$500 left for other expenses and additional event development.

Homecoming was a huge success! It was like winning the jackpot. The weather was PERFECT and the football team won BIG. The Fall Reunion on Friday night was the biggest crowd in the history of the event – over 200 people attended and 50 alumni from the class of 1967 returned to be inducted into the Society of Golden Eagles.

Next up is the Mackinaw Island Getaway, October 13-15. The main hotel location is sold out, but they have an overflow hotel with rooms available. Attendance is up 100% over last year for this event.

The Upper Peninsula Social will be held on October 14 at The Vierling in Marquette, Michigan.

The Ferris State Men's Basketball team will take on the Michigan State Spartans on Thursday, October 26 at the Breslin Center in Lansing. The ticket block for this event has been sold out, but you can still get tickets through Stub Hub for \$6. A reception will be held at The Nuthouse Sports Grill at 420 E. Michigan Avenue in Lansing. The cost is \$15 for the reception.

The Women's Basketball team will hold their annual Tip Off Fundraising Dinner on October 21 from 6 to 10 pm at the Granger Center. Tickets are \$45. A table of 8 is \$300.

The Ferris Foundation Benefit is November 10 at DeVos Place in the Steelcase Ballrooms. Aly Raisman of the U.S. Olympic Gymnastics Team will be the keynote speaker. Emeriti may purchase a ticket for \$125. Information is available at ferris.edu/giving.

Publicity: MaryKay sent a notice of this meeting through University Wide Notices. A Facebook posting announcing this meeting was also made.

Social: Walt Luecke reported that the fall luncheon will be on October 4th at Falcon Head. So far 49 people have registered.

The holiday dinner will be on December 5th. Fundraising at the holiday dinner was discussed.

Membership: No report

Service: No report

Professional Concerns: No report

Fundraising Committee: Bob Carter suggested that calls be made in November. He also reported that the first scholarship award was given to Arts and Sciences student Harry Coles. He also announced the fundraising comprehensive campaign beginning on November 9th and 10th.

Helen's Garden: According to MaryKay MacIver, Alice Bandstra reports that the Ferris grounds staff has planted the tree that was purchased by the History Task Force. The tree is located by the north entrance to the Alumni Building, and is accented by boxwoods. The History Task Force also purchased additional boxwoods to replace ones that had died in several of the beds in the garden. There is still plenty of color to enjoy until the first frost. The season will wind up next month with raking and removal of annuals.

Florida and Arizona Liaisons: The Florida get-togethers may be influenced by the hurricanes. The Arizona get-together will be on February 8th at the Golden Corral in Tuscan at 1.

Newsletter: October 15 is the deadline for the November newsletter.

Social Media: The luncheon was not on the schedule. This will be corrected.

Old Business: Jerena Keys reported that letters were sent out soliciting funds for United Way. Last year the emeriti gave \$4770. She will set up a place for donations at the luncheon.

New Business: President Haneline asked whether member milestones should be reported on the website and the newsletter. The consensus was yes for the newsletter, space permitting.

He also asked if information updates for Emeriti from FFA, AFSCME, et al. should be posted. The consensus was no.

Adjournment: 11:26 a.m. (Moved by Barb Johnson, seconded Jane Pole, passed.)

Jeffrey Nagelbush, Secretary

November 6- Emeriti Board Meeting
December 4- Emeriti Board Meeting
December 5- Holiday Dinner
January 8- Emeriti Board Meeting
February 5- Emeriti Board Meeting
February 7- Soup Talk