President Doug Haneline called the meeting to order on Zoom at 10:02 a.m.

Members Present: Bob Carter, Doug Haneline, Jim Jacobs, Jerena Keys, Bob Krueger, MaryKay Maclver, Mary Murnik, Jeffrey Nagelbush, and Randy Vance.

Guest: Debra Warwick

February minutes were approved (motion by Jeffrey Nagelbush, seconded by Jerena Keys).

President’s Report: President Haneline had the no report.

Treasurer’s Report: Our current operating balance is $5,334.37. The endowment has a current book value of $136,007.00. The endowment has a market value of $161,698.62. We will have $1,950.00 available for scholarships, of which $1,000 has been awarded in spring semester. We will have $6159 available to spend for next academic year.

UA&M Liaison Report: MaryKay Maclver reported the following:

Events

- The Alumni Association’s upcoming webinars include “Swing Into Spring: Tips and Tricks for Your Golf Game” on April 8; “How to Change Anyone’s Mind on May 18 and “Digital Body Language: Collaborate Further and Faster Together” on June 3.
- The annual Alumni Association golf outing will be held this year at Boulder Creek Golf Course in Belmont, Michigan on May 14. COVID restrictions will be in place, and golfers must wear masks in the clubhouse and banquet facilities unless seated. The cost will be $165 per player and includes 18 holes of golf, lunch and dinner.
- One Day for Dawgs – the annual giving day for Ferris is gearing up. The event will be held on April 14 and features over 50 opportunities to support Ferris students. Close to $20K has already been raised as of this morning!

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- Applications are up 14% for Fall 2021 and admissions are up 29% from a year ago.
- Ferris has received close to 2,500 doses of the Pfizer vaccine and will hold a vaccination clinic today through Thursday for students, faculty and staff.
- President Eisler has announced his retirement in June of 2022. The Board of Trustees has announced that a search for the 19th president will begin in the next few months.
- The spring semester ends on April 30 due to the cancellation of spring break. A virtual commencement ceremony will be held on May 1.
Publicity
The meeting was publicized on University-Wide Notices and through Facebook.

Events: The fall get-together for next year at Art Works is still scheduled to occur. The picnic at Hemlock Park is tentatively scheduled for August 11, 2021 and the space is reserved.

Bob Carter reported that nine people participated in the slide show. While attendance was low, those who attended enjoyed it. We will look into having another slide show after our annual meeting.

The spring annual meeting will be on May 12th. It will be virtual and start at about 11.

Membership: More members have joined the association (see Newsletter for their names). More new members are expected at the next Board of Trustees meeting.

Service: Jim Jacobs reported that cards were sent in remembrance of Jack Frizzell’s mother, James Breault, Stephen Perialas’ wife, and Richard Eldridge.

Professional Concerns: Bob Krueger asked if we should schedule in-person events for the fall. He suggested an hors d’oeuvres get together at the art gallery. Doug suggested we consider a schedule of events at our next board meeting.

Fundraising: Bob Carter reported that we are participating in the one day for dawgs on April 14th. He also said we now have enough money in the scholarship fund to give a $1,000 scholarship to one individual in each of the five colleges.

Helen’s Garden: Spring has arrived! Alice and MaryKay will be doing a walk through this week to assess the work to be done to prepare for planting. There should be bulbs popping through. MaryKay will post photos on our Facebook page.

Arizona and Florida Liaisons: No report

Newsletter: Randy Vance said that the next newsletter is scheduled for August, 2021.

Social Media: MaryKay continues to post relevant information. We have 133 page likes, an increase of 4 since February, 2021.

Old Business: Jerena Keys reported that the nominating committee has the following individuals who agreed to run for a two year term on the Emeriti Board for 2021-2023:
  Bob Carter
  Robert Friar
  Doug Haneline
  Paula Hadley-Kennedy
  Mary Murnik
Jane Pole.
Bob Carter moved that the board accept the slate of nominees. Bob Krueger seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

New Business: None

Adjournment: 11:04 a.m.

Jeffrey Nagelbush, Secretary
May 12, 2021- Spring General Membership Meeting
June 7, 2021- Next Board Meeting