

## Board Meeting Minutes May 4, 2009

Members present: Tom Cook, Theresa Foust, Charles Hurt, Jim Jacobs, Barb Johnson, Walt Luecke, Mary Kay MacIver, Dick Perrin, Jackie Perrin, Jerry Slywka, Brenda Vasicek

Meeting was called to order at 10:00am by President Brenda Vasicek.

Minutes of the April 6 meeting were approved with one correction: delete last sentence of third paragraph of New Business. President Brenda requested that minutes be sent via email to members within the week prior to the next meeting.

Treasurer Theresa reported a balance of \$651.37. A question was raised regarding expense issue—she will investigate. Donations have been received by Mahlon Herrick, Stanley Jungck, Marvin Witbeck and Ray and Esther O'Dea. The secretary will send thank you letters to them.

Mary Kay MacIver, Alumni Office Liaison reported a big week ahead: Commencement and the Spring Reunion. She also reported on an Alumni Golf Outing on May 15 at Eagle Eye Golf Course, Bath MI. Plans are being made for an outing on Saturday, June 27 at the Detroit Zoo. The cost will be \$8, but if a bus is provided, the cost will be more. The Alumni Association will be represented at the Cherry Festival in Traverse City in July.

Walt L, Social Chair, reported that he is receiving reservations for the Spring Luncheon at Tullymore to be held on May 20. He asked the management about playing golf after the meal. Reservations for tee time at 2:30p can be made with Debbie Masse for a fee of \$35 for 9 holes and a cart. He also reported on some activities for next season: September 9 – Coffee Talk – Hosts, Newell and Barb Johnson; March 10 – Coffee Talk – Host, Lori Helmer at the Rock; May 12 – Spring Luncheon at the Rock (newly renovated). A complete calendar will appear in the next newsletter and in the new directory.

Brenda reported for the Service committee: Bob Ferguson is home in Ludington. Bob and Mary Louise Leach hope to be at the Spring luncheon.

Dick P, Newsletter Editor, reported that the deadline for submissions for the next newsletter is June 24. The new membership directory will be run by the Alumni office, per Mary Kay, about the same time. If anyone has any information about an Emeriti who is working on a special professional project, i.e. writing a book, teaching special classes, consulting, share that info with Dick for the newsletter.

Jim J, Publicity Chair, said that notices regarding upcoming events will appear in the Pioneer. He will try to email announcements to those who have supplied their email addresses.

## **Old Business**

Brenda is still working on the slate of new Board members to be presented at the Spring Luncheon. Jack McNamara has accepted a nomination to complete the last year of Charles' postion. Another nomination is needed for a vacant two-year term.

Brenda continues to work with various offices on updating the EA membership process and EA lotus notes. Matt Klein, Dean, College of Arts and Sciences, will ask the Dean's Council to remind their staff and faculty who are retiring to be sure and apply for emeriti status. New member packets were sent to Erli Gronberg, Calla Dean, Richard Duffett, Phillip Stich, John Watkins, Penny Wheeler, Doug Heeter, and Barb Spedowski. Brenda and other emeriti attended the Employees Retirement Reception and Employee Service Awards events held in April.

The Eldercare seminar that was held in April was well done and many positive evaluations were received. Another session is planned for the Fall.

On June 18, President Eisler will host a gathering for the FSUEA annual Traditions picnic at 4pm in the IRC Connector. Concurrent sessions that are of interest to our membership will begin at 2:15p. This interest was identified in the results of the survey that was distributed in our last newsletter. The sessions are: Retirement Planning, E-Mail how-to-dos, Digital Photography, and Genealogy. More information will be available later.

Brenda reported ongoing conversations with the University regarding reduced rates at sporting events, Williams events and Student recreation. Monthly memberships will be available in September at the Racquet facility and U-Rec.

Jim Saladin is working on activities and events for the 125<sup>th</sup> Anniversary celebration. Walt Luecke and Theresa Foust are also actively involved in the planning. Other volunteers are needed from the Emeriti group.

Brenda received some artifacts for the Display case in the Emeriti office. She also helped with the First Lady's Attic project. She reminded the Board to set aside July 13 for the EA Retreat and Board meeting. All members will have an active part in the discussion and planning for future of the EA during this meeting.

## New Business

A verbal "thank you" will be given to retiring Board members. There will be no written recognition.

## Announcements

Notes were received from Marilyn Gillette: she is traveling in Switzerland and will not be able to attend the Spring luncheon; Tom Colladay: sends greetings from Tennessee; Betty Hartig: suggests we have an Emeriti section at events like we once had.

Next meeting will be June 1 at 10am in PRK 114. New Board members will be welcomed.

The meeting adjourned at 11:50am.

Respectfully submitted,

Barbara Johnson Secretary