

EMERITI ASSOCIATION BOARD MEETING MINUTES

January 9, 2017

President Doug Haneline called the meeting to order at 10:07 a.m.

Members Present: Doug Haneline, Jim Jacobs, Jerena Keys, Bob Krueger, Walt Luecke, MaryKay MacIver, Bob Friar and Randy Vance

December minutes were approved with corrections (FLITE, Liaison report by MaryKay). Motion by Walt Luecke, seconded by Jerena Keys.

President's report: President Haneline informed the members that his late wife Ellen was granted Emeriti status posthumously by the Board of Trustees at their December 16, 2016 meeting. Haneline indicated that he believes all faculty/staff who were eligible at the time of their death have been granted the status. Jerena added that Leon may have been eligible. MaryKay will investigate and report back to Doug and Jerena.

Treasurer's Report: Treasurer Vance reported that thanks to Paula Rushford, the new Advancement Services Analyst, we finally have a treasurer's report! The balance in the Emeriti account is \$717.69. The balance of the Emeriti Association Scholarship Endowment is currently \$35,509.00, with a current awardable amount available of \$1,000. A question was raised regarding an expense charged to the Emeriti account from American Golf Ventures. Mary Kay will follow up to find out what this expense was for. Doug will follow up on conversations with Paul Blake regarding additional budget support, as the balance in the account will only support the printing and mailing of the spring newsletter.

Alumni Association Liaison Report: Mary Kay MacIver reported that Robert Murray, the new associate vice president for advancement, arrived on January 4. She will ask him to visit at the next Emeriti Board meeting. She also reported that current staff member Bruce Gilchrist passed away on December 19. Upcoming alumni events that Emeriti may be interested in include the Sarasota Luncheon on January 27, the Arizona Luncheon on February 9, an alumni event at the Phoenix Suns on February 10, a Colorado Avalanche vs. the Detroit Red Wings event on March 15 and the Alumni Golf Outing to be held on May 12. Information on any of these events can be accessed from the Alumni Association website on ferris.edu.

Publicity Report: Mary Kay reported that she placed the UWN for the meeting, as well as posting it on the Emeriti Association Facebook page.

Social Report: Walt Luecke reported that 43 members attended the Winter Dinner at Falcon Head in December. The meal was excellent, and the members enjoyed the basket raffle. Jim Jacobs reminded the board that the Soup Talk will be on February 8 beginning at 11:30. Set up time will be 10:30, and Jim could use some assistance. The Spring Luncheon and annual business meeting will be held on May 10 at The

Rock beginning at 11:30. The Summer Picnic will be held on August 16. Jim Jacobs will make the reservation.

Membership Report: In Barb Johnson's absence, Mary Kay reported that the Board of Trustees approved Emeriti status for Darlene Kaczmarcyk, who retired from Kendall College of Art and Design on 12/12/16.

Service Report: Jim Jacobs reported that no cards were sent in the past month, but he will be sending a card to the Shirley Davis family. Jerena offered to take the card to the family when she travels for the service on January 13 at Porter Hills.

Professional Concerns Report: Bob Krueger would like to investigate if it is possible for members of the Emeriti Association to participate in the Wellness Program at Ferris. Discussion regarding placing a survey in the next newsletter and perhaps on the website to assess interest on the part of members. Jeff Nagelbush has been investigating the possibility of a lecture series. He will give an update when he returns. Bob Krueger suggested ideas to explore to get Kendall Emeriti involved such as asking them to assist with tours of the Grand Rapids Art Museum and the UICA, as well as issuing them a special invitation for opening night when the gallery on campus has a Kendall display.

Fundraising Committee: Mary Kay reported that the year-end campaign added over \$12,000 to the FSU Emeriti Association Endowment including the Ferris Foundation match. A full report of the results will be provided to Randy for the March newsletter.

Helen's Garden Report: Mary Kay reported that the Helen's Garden group will soon be ordering the Spring 2017 annuals. Bob Krueger indicated that medicinal plants from the Pharmacy greenhouse are being moved to the Arts and Sciences greenhouse by Scott Heron. They will know more about what is available in the spring. Mary Kay will check with Alice on what she thinks about adding some of these to Helen's Garden.

Florida and Arizona report: In Brenda and Barb's absence, Mary Kay indicated that besides the Sarasota Alumni & Emeriti luncheon on January 28, Bob Stechschulte is actively arranging Emeriti lunches at Mattison's in Sarasota. The next one will be on January 18. Mary Kay previously mentioned the Arizona Luncheon in her Liaison report.

Newsletter Report: Randy Vance indicated that the deadline for the newsletter is February 15.

Social Media Report: In Dale's absence, Mary Kay reported that she posted the announcement regarding this meeting, as well as a fun photo with Dale and Jim Lindsey in December to the Association Facebook page.

Old Business: Jerena reported that 40 Emeriti donors gave \$4,678.00 to the United Way campaign this year.

New Business: Bob Friar suggested that we might boost participation in events by offering rides to members who might need them, such as those who have trouble driving at night. It was discussed that we try this idea for the Spring Luncheon. A note will be placed on the registration form. Bob Friar offered to coordinate. Doug Haneline suggested that we place this on the event information on the website.

Motion to adjourn: Randy Vance motioned to adjourn the meeting, Walt Luecke second, motion passed at 11:12 pm.