EMERITI ASSOCIATION BOARD MEETING MINUTES February 6, 2017

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

Members Present: Bob Carter, Robert Friar, Doug Haneline, Dale Hobart, Jim Jacobs, Jerena Keys, Bob Krueger, Walt Luecke, MaryKay MacIver, Jeffrey Nagelbush, and Randy Vance

Guest: Robert Murray

January minutes were approved (motion by Dale Hobart, seconded by Bob Krueger).

President's Report: President Haneline reported talking with Marilyn Gillette in Grand Rapids.

Treasurer's Report: The current balance of Emeriti Association funds is \$717.69. The scholarship fund currently has \$40,159. The Foundation is still doubling donations.

Guest Speaker: Robert Murray, the new associate vice president for advancement, spoke to the group about how happy he was to be here. He has been here for 30 days. He said that he saw his job as being a facilitator. He also said he will be available for communications if people had questions, although he does a lot of traveling for the job. He is also planning to be at the Soup Talk on Wednesday.

University Advancement Liaison Report: MaryKay MacIver listed a number of upcoming events:

Arizona Luncheon on February 9,

Phoenix Suns on February 10.

Colorado Avalanche vs. the Detroit Red Wings event on March 15 Alumni Golf Outing to be held on May 12.

Michigan International Speedway on June 18, \$200 per person. Event to be held in the Busch Acceleration Club, package includes ticket to the Firekeepers Casino 400 Race, pit and paddock access pass, parking, breakfast and lunch and adult beverages.

Information on any of these events can be accessed from the Alumni Association website on ferris.edu.

Publicity: MaryKay MacIver sent an email today about this meeting.

Social: Walt Luecke reported that the soup talk will be held February 8 at the United Church. Jim Jacobs said that take-home containers will be available for use of attendees.

The Emeriti lunch will be on May 10 at the Rock and will cost \$10. The annual Emeriti Picnic will be on August 8 at Hemlock Park.

Membership: No report

Service: Jim Jacobs said that cards will be sent to the families of Joe Mendenhall, Kim Gillett and Charles Hurt.

Professional Concerns: Bob Krueger reported that an article will be put in the next newsletter.

Fundraising Committee: Bob Carter said that the first scholarship will be awarded in the Fall, 2017 academic term to a student in the College of Arts and Sciences. MaryKay MacIver reported that the year end campaign brought in a total of \$9,626 in gifts, resulting in a match of \$9,626. Since 7/1/16, we have added a total of \$19,732 to the endowment.

Helen's Garden: MaryKay reported the committee is working on the Helen's Garden annual order. Sigma Pi fraternity contacted us, and they will be helping with the raking and mulching again this year. The Construction Management student organization also contacted us, and they will help with any tasks we need. She also reported that she ordered the annual for the garden, and she also connected with the Commencement office, who will give us the geraniums for the garden.

Florida and Arizona Liaisons: No report.

Newsletter: Randy Vance reported that the deadline for submissions is February 15th. Lots of contributions have been made.

Social Media: Dale Hobart said that the calendar has been corrected and a picture has been put on the site.

Old Business: The issue of an Emeriti Speakers Bureau was discussed. It was suggested that interest in this should be assessed in the newsletter.

Discussion was also held about other ways to get money for the scholarship fund. One suggestion was to create Emeriti logo items for sale. MaryKay and Doug said they would look into this possibility.

New Business: No new business was raised.

February 8- Soup Talk March 6- Executive Board Meeting April 3- Executive Board Meeting

Adjournment: 10:58 a.m. (Moved by Dale, Seconded by Jim, passed.)

Jeffrey Nagelbush, Secretary