

EMERITI ASSOCIATION BOARD MEETING MINUTES  
February 1, 2021

President Doug Haneline called the meeting to order on Zoom at 10:03 a.m.

Members Present: Bob Carter, Doug Haneline, Jim Jacobs, John Kane, Jerena Keys, Bob Krueger, MaryKay MacIver, Jeffrey Nagelbush, Jane Pole, and Randy Vance

December 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 \$2,334.37. The endowment has a current book value of \$134,707.00. The endowment has a market value of \$133,855.60. We will have \$1,950.00 available for scholarships, of which \$1,000 will be awarded in spring semester.

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

Events

- The Alumni Association's upcoming webinars include author Cam Marston's presentation on The 5 Generation Society: What is the implication to our Economy on February 9 and Love in Art, a Valentine Celebration on February 11. March highlights include webinars on small space gardening and a virtual wine tasting. There are many other webinars to choose from including diversity discussions, food preparation and leadership topics. Check them out at the Alumni homepage at [ferris.edu/alumni](http://ferris.edu/alumni)

Inside UA&M

- Most of the UA&M staff has returned to a staggered schedule, with staff splitting time between working on campus and virtually.
- COVID continues to impact enrollment with the head count for spring semester down over 11%. Kendall is down nearly 21%. Despite the challenges, our spring numbers are 93.9% of the fall enrollment count, which is extraordinary due to the circumstances.
- It is hoped that President Biden's executive order repealing the barred travel from specific countries will increase our international student enrollment.
- Spring Commencement will be virtual.
- Ferris is serving as a regional storage site for vaccines due to the ultra-cold freezers located at the College of Pharmacy.

- Plans are in place for an on-campus vaccination clinic but with limited vaccine supply, it is likely to be some time before vaccinations for faculty, staff and students will be possible.
- Plans are being made to return to in-person classes for Fall 2021.
- Dr. Jimmie Joseph, program coordinator and associate professor of Computer Information Systems, has been appointed interim dean of the College of Business. A national search will be conducted for a permanent appointment.

#### 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.

Bob Carter proposed that we ask if some members of the association are interested in sharing slides of trips and other interesting events with the membership as a whole in a Zoom presentation. We should also ask if the membership would be interesting in watching the slide presentation. It was suggested that the presentation should be tentatively scheduled for March 17<sup>th</sup> at noon. Bob Carter and MaryKay agreed to poll the members for their interest in this.

Membership: Four people have become new members of the Emeriti Association in December.

Service: Jim Jacobs reported that Newell Johnson, John VanderMolen, Ev Nienhous, Janet Ravell, Bill Donahue, and John Watkins died since our last meeting. Jim has or will be sending cards to the families of these emeriti as well as to the Mary Murnik (Jim Murnik) and W. Thomas Gray (Margot Gray) who lost their spouses.

Professional Concerns: No report.

Fundraising: Bob Carter reported that 45 people donated during the holiday fundraiser and we received over \$7000 which will be doubled.

Helen's Garden: The garden is officially in winter mode. We look forward to next spring.

Arizona and Florida Liaisons: No report

Newsletter: Randy Vance said that the next newsletter is scheduled for March, 2021. The tentative deadline for submissions is February 15<sup>th</sup>.

Social Media: MaryKay continues to post relevant information. As of 2/1/2021, we have 129 page likes, an increase of 7 since December 7, 2020.

Old Business: None

New Business: The Emeriti Association needs to have a meeting to elect new board members. The meeting is scheduled for May 5<sup>th</sup>, 2021. The nominating committee is Jerena Keys, Bob Carter, and Bob Krueger. At the June meeting, the new board will be seated and officers will be selected. Doug Haneline is stepping down as president so a new president needs to be selected.

Adjournment: 10:58 a.m. (motion by Jeffrey Nagelbush, seconded by Randy Vance).

Jeffrey Nagelbush, Secretary  
April 5, 2021- Emeriti Board Meeting  
May 5, 2021- Spring General Membership Meeting