

**Eastern Michigan University  
Emeritus Faculty and Staff Association Executive Board Meeting  
September 5, 2018**

Present: Richard Douglass, Dave Geherin, Gerald V. "Skip" Lawver, Sally McCracken, John Pappas, Gregory Peoples, and Alida Westman.

*Ex officio*: Sam Jensen, Representative of the Foundation and Howard Booth, Emeritus Faculty Representative to the Foundation.

The meeting was at the Eagle's Nest at the Convocation Center and called to order at 10:03 a.m.

WELCOME TO Sam Jensen, Representative of the Foundation.  
President Sally McCracken introduced and welcomed Sam Jensen.

The minutes of June 6, 2018, meeting was approved.

#### PRESIDENT'S REPORT

**1. New parking arrangements.** Sally McCracken met with EMU President Smith and Provost Longworth. Both promised a continuation of the same parking benefits as before. The people providing the new parking arrangements were not aware of this but accepted it. One of the more difficult challenges was to get a complete and accurate listing of people who have emeritus status in the Emeritus Faculty and Staff Association, and Sally spend a significant amount of time on creating an accurate list. Bette Warren helped out and her help was much appreciated.

**Each emeritus member may register two cars,** but only one car can be on campus at any time. The new system includes SUVs which read license plates of cars on campus.

**Times during which ticketing is still a concern include** parking for people with mobility challenges and special events. Emeriti coming from farther away for special events should make sure they are registered and have received their card for the pay lots. If they have mobility challenges, they need to be very clear on their parking options.

**For emeriti who do not use computers,** registration of their cars can be done for them during the Fall General meeting.

**There are some "Global days"** when EMU can use the lots. The lot around the Convention center is not part of the new parking system. The status of the parking lot on the opposite side of the street is not clear.

**2. The website has been totally redesigned by Wendy Kivi.** The website has been renamed for the Emeritus Faculty and Staff Association. The website will be mentioned frequently, so that people become aware of it. Instead of a newsletter, the website will be rich with updated information.

**One page will have FAQs** with information about collecting death benefits, volunteer opportunities, such as RSVP Washtenaw from Catholic Social Services, Medicare information, etc.

**Another page** will have remembrances.

**A future page** may feature what emeriti contribute.

**Emeriti will be asked** what else they would like to have on the website.

- 3. Funding is the biggest issue for what is happening at EMU.** With respect to the fireworks at football games, the cost of fireworks is low compared to the excitement that comes from presenting them.

#### OLD BUSINESS

There was none.

#### NEW BUSINESS

- 1. Election of the 2019-2022 Executive Board members.**

The second-year members constitute the nominating committee. This means that Jean Bush-Bacelis, Gerald V. "Skip" Lawver, and Alida Westman make up the nominating committee. Skip Lawver volunteered to look for a replacement for John Pappas who has served on the board since 2000 and would like to step down. Both Richard Douglass and Sally McCracken are in the third year of their current term and volunteered to continue to serve.

- 2. For the Emeritus Fall General meeting,** Howard Booth will talk about "Fitness for Life."

- 3. For the Spring General meeting,** David Geherin will organize possibilities for EMU Emeritus Trips Abroad.

- 4. New Emeritus Inductions** happen in the Spring. **President** Smith will report on the state of the university during the Fall General meeting and the **Provost** during the Spring General meeting.

- 5. Bargaining for a new contract is scheduled for 2019.** Alida Westman volunteered to serve on the EMU-AAUP Bargaining Council Retirement Committee. Sheila Most also has agreed to do so.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:12 a.m.

The next scheduled meeting will be at 10 a.m. on October 3, 2018, at the Eagle's Nest at the Convocation Center.