

Eastern Michigan University
Emeritus Faculty Association Executive Board Meeting
September 16, 2015

Present: Irene Allen, Dave Geherin, Bert Greene, Sally McCracken, John Pappas, Barbara Scheffer, Alida Westman. *Ex officio*: Susan Rink, Senior Director of Development, The EMU Foundation.

The meeting was called to order.

The minutes of the meeting on June 10, 2015, were approved.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

- 1. Search for the next EMU President.** Regent Crumm has invited the emeriti to a listening session on Monday September 21, 6 p.m., Ball Room of the Student Center.
- 2. The Foundation has moved** to McKenny Hall. Susan Rink reported that the Alumni Organization has a prominent place in McKenny Hall, and there is an alumni lounge available for use. The 4th floor of McKenny is being renovated for future use.

OLD BUSINESS

- 1. Emeritus Board Meetings are open meetings.** We should consider inviting our membership to attend Board meetings.
- 2. General Meetings are on the 2nd Thursday of May and October.** Usually, a speaker is invited to give a presentation of no longer than an hour. We have 2 socials a year, a **Holiday Social Party** is in December; another social is in the Spring. The social events are without scheduled speaker; these are good times to find out who is interested in serving on the board.

NEW BUSINESS

- 1. There are two Listserves.** One has all emeritus faculty and staff no matter where they live. The other has only the emeriti who live within a 75 mile radius from the university. When there is an event at the university it is sent only to those who live within the 75 mile radius. Twice a year, a letter is mailed to all emeriti, because not all emeriti use e-mail. Even though retired staff have their own organization, they are invited to all of our events. There are 4 honorary emeritus members.
When the contact sheets go out, each member is requested to indicate only one U.S. mail address to keep costs down and make the lists more manageable.
- 2. The next General Meeting is on October 8, Homecoming Week.** The Wednesday preceding is the coach's luncheon, and people are invited to attend. Athletic Director Heather Lyke and football coach Chris Creighton were approved unanimously to speak at the General Meeting.
- 3. Talks of interest to the emeriti.** Barbara Scheffer will prepare a short survey for the December meeting to ask people for recommendations as to whom they would like to have give a presentation at a General Meeting. To date topics of greatest interest have been those which clarify age-related changes, such as changes in the eye or ear, tips, such as on finances and travel, presentations on new gadgets, such as electronics, and history of EMU buildings and the Ypsilanti area.

The meeting adjourned at 11:10 a.m.

The next meeting will be Wednesday, October 14. Susan Rink will try to get the same conference room in the Convocation Center again.