

Eastern Michigan University
Emeritus Faculty and Staff Association Executive Board Meeting
October 4, 2023

Present: Jean Bush-Bacelis, Larry Gates, Gerald V. "Skip" Lawver, Nora Martin, Sally McCracken, Glenna Frank Miller, Greg Peoples, Barbara Scheffer, and Alida Westman.

Ex officio: Howard Booth, Emeritus Faculty Representative to the Foundation and Jill Hunsberger, Associate Vice President for Advancement

The meeting was on Zoom and called to order at 10:01 a.m.
The minutes of September 6, 2023, were approved unanimously.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

- A. Sally McCracken** indicated that the new VP for Enrollment, Katie Condon, can come to the October 13 Business meeting in Student Center 310 A & B. The featured speaker is Barbara Patrick, Head of Political Science, who will speak about social justice. Food (sandwiches on trays, fruits and greens) will be brought by 11:30 am. A bottle of Purell hand cleaner will be put at the beginning of the food line. A table with the agenda and a survey about presentations of interest will be on a table outside the rooms manned by volunteers from the Executive Board. Someone from parking will be present at the gate. Sally will send out a reminder and indicate to people that they need to register their car annually for non-pay lots, but the parking card will continue to work at pay lots.

OLD BUSINESS

- A. The December Social will have a choir performance.** Greg Peoples will check whether the EMU Gospel Choir can come. The choir is celebrating its 50th anniversary.
- B. The presentation at the Spring 2024 Business Meeting** was discussed. GameAbove was chosen, because the organization is not well known. It is very active in academic, athletic, and community areas and provides significant financial support in these areas. Provost Rhonda Longworth will present new EMU administrators.
- C. Jean Bush-Bacelis and Glenna Frank Miller** created a list of possible future presenters at Business meetings and other were added. A list will be put together as a survey for the October 13 Business meeting. Attendees will be asked to check the presentations to which they would come, x-out the ones to which they would not come, and provide further ideas or speakers that they would find interesting.

NEW BUSINESS

- A. Jean Bush-Bacelis** indicated that she would look at the Faculty and Staff Emeritus Association's Constitution and Bylaws to see if any additions or changes are appropriate. Also to be considered are a list of links to EMU which EMU Communications recommends, and whether interest groups would be of interest to emeriti.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

- A. Jill Hunsberger** indicated that the Foundation's new VP for Advancement and Executive Director of the EMU Foundation, Maher Salah has joined the Foundation, and the Foundation is very active. This weekend is Homecoming. Alumni Awards winners will be honored this Friday, October 6. The Foundation will have a tent at the football game. Jill is looking to build a pipeline for gifts and major donors.
- B. Greg Peoples** reported that Black Students and Staff met last Monday, October 2. President Smith came, and people had a chance to meet Kevin Williams, Director of Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion, and Dwight Hamilton, Chief Diversity Officer.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:25 a.m.

The next meeting of the Executive Board will be on Wednesday November 1, 2023, at 10 a.m.