

**Eastern Michigan University
Emeritus Faculty and Staff Association Executive Board Meeting
June 7, 2022**

Present: Jean Bush-Bacelis, Gerald V. "Skip" Lawver, Sally McCracken, Glenna Frank Miller, Gregory Peoples, and Alida Westman.

Ex officio: Howard Booth, Emeritus Faculty Representative to the Foundation

The meeting was by Zoom and called to order at 10:03 a.m.

The minutes of May 4, 2022, were approved unanimously.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

- A. Sally McCracken welcomed the new board member, Glenna Frank Miller.**
- B. Provost Rhonda Longworth is planning a gathering** at the end of the summer or beginning of Fall to welcome all of the new emeriti.
- C. The Fall General Membership Meeting** will be on a Friday in October, but the exact date will depend on space available. Many of the larger spaces still will be used as classrooms, and 205 Welch used in the past now is dedicated to video production and the regents. The program will be arranged by Skip Lawver, Gregory Peoples, and Howard Booth. Different ideas for the program were suggested and discussed.
- D. The Fall Social Meeting** will be in December. Discussion clarified that meeting from 12 – 3 p.m. is better than 5 - 7 p.m., because driving after dark is a challenge for some seniors.
- E. Membership on the Executive Board** is meant to be representative of campus, that is, the colleges and staff. At the moment the College of Education is not represented. People who are interested will be kept in mind as new openings become available. Choice of new members is meant to preserve the balance rather than be competitive.

OLD BUSINESS

- A. Discussion of the General Membership meeting** on May 13, 2022, concluded that the Student Center Ballroom and box lunches had worked well, but the registration process needs to be improved to be more accurate. The process used by the Foundation for the Social worked better. Also there were parking problems with the cards of some people not working. It's recommended that the gates be open for future events. Further, the flow might be better if the program portion begins earlier.
- B. Discussion of the Social on June 1, 2022,** led to the finding that attendance had been good, the food excellent, and that all went well.

NEW BUSINESS

- A. Executive Board Officers** were unanimously elected. Sally McCracken will serve as president, Jean Bush-Bacelis as vice-president, and Alida Westman as secretary.
- B. The By-Laws** need to be reviewed next year. If people have a chance to

look at them and think about them, please do so.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

- A. Foundation.** Howard Booth indicated that the Foundation fund raising is going very well. The emeriti give more than any other group and about 50% of them contribute.
- B. EMU-AAUP.** Alida Westman reported that the national AAUP is investigating becoming associated with the AFT due to attacks on higher education. If approved it will be a 4-year tryout. Locally a mediator has been called in as the administration and union cannot agree on whether to meet in person or on Zoom.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:10 a.m.

The next meeting of the Executive Board will be in person if possible on September 7, 2022, at 10 a.m. Those not local will attend via Owl.