

## OSU Emeriti Council Meeting Minutes

Monday, February 26, 2024

1:30 Emeriti Suite

**Executive Committee Members Present:** Mike Woods, Gary Sherrer, Carloyn Gang, Priscilla Gerfen, and Becky Schlais

**Council Members Present:** Gary Clark, Ray Huhnke, Bob Levalley, Michael Lorenz, Kent Sampson, Gerald Stangl, and Sue Williams

**Committee Chairs Present:** Clem Ward

**Emeriti Support Present:** Sofia Gustafson

**Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order by Mike Woods at 1:30 PM.

**Minutes:** It was moved (Gary Sherrer) and seconded (Gerald) that the minutes of the January 29<sup>th</sup> meeting be approved as presented. The motion carried.

**President's Report:** Mike met with Ann Caine, President of the Alumni Association, to complete yearly review and renewed the agreement with the OSU Alumni Association. This Agreement is a partnership in which Alumni Association provides meeting and office space for Council and Emeriti Support and Emeriti provide Ambassadors (volunteers) for special events.

Renovations are on ongoing at the Alumni Center. There are improvements included in Phase 2 for Emeriti Suite (pending approval). These improvements will be improved lights, paint, and flooring.

Emeriti Association Directories have been updated. Clarification is being requested to make sure that term dates are correct for Faculty Council Standing Committees.

Reminder that Michael and Velda Lorenz will be stepping down as the "Meet and Greet" hosts at our monthly dinners. Individuals were identified and will be contacted. Council members discussed wanting to continue the meet/greet time for members. Members enjoy the fellowship time before gathering for dinner.

Mike will be intentional of introducing new members and guests at the monthly dinners. It is important to highlight their attendance and be welcoming. Sofia will note new members and guest from reservations made for Mike.

**Treasurer's Report:** Ron Miller prepared the February 2024 Treasurer's Report for Emeriti Council to review. There were no questions of submitted report and report was received.

Treasurer also alerted Council of CD 5005 maturing as of March 2<sup>nd</sup>. Motion was moved (Kent) and seconded by Gary Clark for Council to move to the 6-month CD at rate of 4.65% . The motion carried. Mike Woods will inform Treasurer about CD.

It was moved (Bob) and seconded (Priscilla) that signatures on the Credit Union account be updated with current Executive Committee Members. Motion carried to remove Kent Sampson and add Ron Miller and Mike Woods to signature card.

The 2023 Treasurer's audit is starting up. Mike expressed gratitude to Kent Olson and Francis Eplin for their continued work and support of the financial audit.

**Past President's Report:** Gary gave update on Nominating Committee. Remind Council members that current positions for Treasurer and Catering will need to be filled.

**Vice-President for Activities:** Priscilla gave quick overview of monthly speakers that have been confirmed. March date had to be changed to March 11<sup>th</sup> for speaker, Declan Bredin.

April speaker will be Jayson Lusk, Vice President and Dean, OSU Agriculture, May will be OLLI, June will be Doug Aichele, Iditarod judge and Gabbie, sled dog.

**Administrative Assistant Report:** Sofia reported that her and Zane are working on quotes for printing Directory. Quotes will have to be approved by Provost before moving forward.

Sofia informed Council of her concern about the increase of people attending monthly dinners with no reservations. She was concerned for the amount of food being ordered since it ties to reservations. Council members recommended adding language to the email announcements of monthly dinners that *we could not accept late reservations and guests accompanying a member must have a reservation*. Sofia will work on wording and send to Mike and Council to review.

**Membership Report:** Mike Lorenz gave update on two new lifetime members. Mike also request approval of membership for Steve and Patty Armbruster, who have significant relationship to OSU and needed Council Approval. Motion approved.

Mik Lorenz is looking into web based applications where potential members could complete the application form online and submit payment via credit card. Lorenze and Woods will work with Ron on getting system setup.

**Other Business:**

April dinner is the same night as McKnight play. There will be conflict for some of our members.

**Adjournment:** It was moved (Gerald) and seconded (Carolyn) that the meeting be adjourned.

The motion passed, and the meeting was adjourned at 2:21.

**Announcements:** The next Monday Night Dinner will be April 1.

The next Council Meeting will be March 25<sup>th</sup>.

Respectfully submitted,

Becky Schlais, Secretary

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