OSU Emeriti Council Meeting Minutes  
Monday, November 28, 2022  
1:30 Emeriti Suite

Executive Committee Members Present: Kent Sampson, Gary Sherrer, Mike Lorenz, Priscilla Gerfen, Kay Keys, Ron Miller

Council Members Present: Bob LeValley, Francis Epplin, Judy Hoberock, Gerald Stangl, Carolyn Gang, Mike Woods

Committee Chairs Present: None

Emeriti Support Present: Sofia Gustafson

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order by Kent.

Minutes: It was moved (Gary) and seconded (Gerald) that the minutes of the October 31 meeting be approved. The motion carried.

Treasurer’s Report: Ron stated that the checking account had $5,112 at the beginning of the year and now has only $2,272. He went on to express concern regarding the possibility of declining revenue due to the new policy of granting lifetime membership to those who pay annual dues for ten years. He pondered whether or not the group might want to discontinue the current practice of using annual and lifetime dues in different ways. After considerable discussion, Mike Lorenz moved and Carolyn seconded that the executive committee meet and bring a recommendation to the Council in January regarding the use of Council resources.

It was moved (Gary) and seconded (Gerald) that $5000 be invested at 2.5% for 3 months. The motion passed.

Finally, Gary moved and Mike Woods seconded that the treasurer’s report be received. The motion carried.

Past President’s Report: Invitations to join the Emeriti Association have been sent to recent retirees. Pam and Gary Lanman will come to the December dinner and become members. Letters are going out soon to those who have paid annual dues for ten years and, therefore, don’t need to make further payments. Letters are also going out to those who are within two years of meeting the requirements. They may pay in advance if they choose.

President Elect Report: None.

Vice-president for Activities: Priscilla is waiting to hear from Dana Ayers regarding her needs for the Christmas dinner entertainment. She moved and Judy seconded that a $100 check be cut for the usual donation to the choral group.

Administrative Report: At this time, 93 people have registered for the December dinner.
Other reports:

**Faculty Council:** Barbara was unable to attend due to illness. There was no report.

**Request:** Kent reported that Joe Williams had requested an opportunity to distribute information relevant to the December 6 election at the December 5 dinner. Kent gave him permission to do so provided the information clearly states that it is neither endorsed nor supported by the OSU Emeriti Association.

Unfinished Business:

**Approval of P and P Change:** It was moved (Carolyn) and seconded (Mike Lorenz) that the wording of Section 2 of *Policies and Procedures* be modified to read as follows (change in bold print):

> Section 2: Annual dues are $25.00 per person or $35.00 per couple and are due and payable each year on January 1st. Life Membership may be purchased for $200.00 per person or $250 per couple. **Lifetime membership will also be given to all members that have paid annual dues for 10 years.** Life membership does not expire and does not have to be renewed. Checks for annual dues and life memberships should be made payable to the OSU Emeriti Association and should be mailed to OSU Emeriti Association, 201 ConocoPhillips Alumni Center, Oklahoma State University, Stillwater, OK 74078. Membership cards are issued by the chair of the Membership Committee. Dues not received by March 1 may cause the member's name to be omitted from the annually updated directory.

New Business:

**Annual Reports:** Kent reminded the group that annual reports are due at the end of the year. It seems that this policy has not been followed in recent years.

**Election of Officers:** Nominations were requested for the positions previously presented. There being none, the following officers and councilors were elected:

- Kay Keys  Secretary (one-year extension)
- Mike Woods  President-Elect
- Gary Sherrer  President
- Bob LeValley  Councilor
- Mike Lorenz  Councilor
- Gary Clark  Councilor

Kent will introduce the people listed above at the December dinner.

It is noted that the councilor position currently held by Mike Woods needs to be filled when he begins his term as president-elect.
Agreement with Alumni Association: Kent and Gary will meet on December 15 with the new director of the Alumni Association, Anne Caine. They will convey Emeriti members’ desire and willingness to continue to serve the university as ambassadors. They will also present to the new director a draft agreement, which was supported by the out-going director, but never signed.

Announcements:

- The next dinner will be held at Legacy Village at 6:00 on December 5. Meet and Greet will begin at 5:30 as usual.
- There being no dinner in January, the first dinner of 2023 will be February 6 in the Alumni Center.
- The next council meeting will be held at 1:30 on January 30 at the Alumni Center Emeriti Suite.

Adjournment: It was moved (Judy) and seconded (Gerald) that the meeting at adjourned. The motion passed; the meeting was adjourned at 2:35.

Kay W. Keys, Secretary