

OSU Emeriti Council Meeting Minutes

May 18, 2026

Meeting held at OSU Foundation, Pistol Pete room due to Alumni Center closure

Council Members Present: Joyce Sherrer, Gary Clark, Gladeen Allred, Carolyn Gang, Bob Graalman, John Mintmire, Kent Sampson, Becky Schlais, Gerald Stangl, and Sue Williams

Staff: Sofia Gustafson

Absent: Cara Beer, Judy Hoberock, Ray Hunke, Mike Lorenz, Liz Tarbutton,

Call to Order: President Joyce Sherrer called the meeting to order at 1:30 p.m.

Minutes: Minutes of the April meeting were approved.

President's Report: President Joyce Sherrer noted that the Emeriti Directory had been delivered. Joyce is currently working on committee assignments. Council members terming out include Gerald Stangl and Judy Hoberock in 2026, and Ray Huhnke in 2027.

Joyce gave update that she and Sofia Gustafson have completed and will mail letter to members that are turning 90 or older to congratulate them on their achievement and names will be recognized in the newsletter unless they notify Emeriti.

Joyce thanked Bob Graalman for greeters at the Stillwater Community Center for the last Monday Night Dinner. It really helped direct members and they loved having greeters to welcome them. It was suggested that we continue to do that for off-campus sites. Bob will work with Cara to have greeters for Legacy Village.

Joyce also gave update from meeting with Anne Caine and wanted to share the appreciation that OSU Alumni Association has for the Emeriti and ways that we help out. One way is Ambassadors, and Bob Graalman gave update on need for home football games. He will work on scheduling 2 or more Ambassadors for each home game.

Also, Joyce wanted to alert Council members that OLLI will be inviting Emeriti members to Anniversary Dinner event on August 30 to celebrate their 20 years.

President-Elect Report: Gary Clark informed Council that there have been internet outage issues due to Alumni Center being closed for renovation. He and Sofia have been working on solutions for sending out Monday night dinner notices.

Treasurer's Report: Liz Tarbutton sent monthly financial report along with final March statement from the Foundation via email to be reviewed. Reports were accepted and filed for audit.

VP for Activities: Gladeen Allred let group know that Rachel Condley, Our Daily Bread Director, will be June speaker at Legacy Village.

She asked input from Council on having future speaker concerning NIL since this is such a contentious topic. After discussion, group thought that this was a topic of interest and Gladeen and Gary will work on ideas for speaker that will give both pro and con perspectives for fairness and clarity.

Past President's Report: No report.

Monday Night Dinner Update: No updates.

Unfinished Business: Joyce informed group that Zane Quible will be stepping down from Communication Committee as of 12/31/26.

New Business: Joyce let group know that she has been thinking about an Emeriti of the Year Award. We have so many members that are doing amazing things for the Emeriti Council and they should be recognized formally. She and Carolyn Gang will work on and bring back ideas for discussion.

Announcements: Sue Williams let group know that Oklahoma Higher Education Heritage Society Board has selected the 2026 Hall of Fame Inductees and 2 were from OSU.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:12.