COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT:  Gladeen Allred, Ron Elliott, Ed Long, Betty Rutledge, Russ Wright

COUNCIL MEMBERS AT-LARGE AND COMMITTEE CHAIRS/REPRESENTATIVES PRESENT:  Andrea Arquitt, Sharon Brown, Dave Lewis, Sharon Nivens, Zane Quible, Clem Ward, Althea Wright

ALSO PRESENT:  Ed Arquitt

President Wright called the meeting to order at 1:30 p.m.  Andrea Arquitt moved the agenda be approved; seconded and passed.  Gladeen Allred moved the minutes be approved; seconded and passed.  Treasurer Ron Elliott presented the treasurer’s report, showing a checking account balance of $10,254.36.  Althea Wright moved the report be accepted; seconded and passed.

Vice-Presidents for Activities Ed and Gladeen reported that the May MND would be at Meditations in conjunction with OLLI, with OLLI being responsible for the program.  David Henneberry, OSU Vice President for International Programs, will present the program at the June 1st Monday Night Dinner. During July and August, those wishing to will meet at The Hideaway for pizza and visiting—no formal program. The September meeting will be a panel of experts on Christianity and Islam. Questions were raised whether we should invite Islam officials in Stillwater and whether we should have security. Russ plans to visit with the Islam officials to let them know we will be presenting the program, but not necessarily invite them. It was decided that if we do not open the meeting to the public, security would probably not be necessary.

Russ reported on Faculty Council giving an update on progression of issues through the system. At the Faculty Council meeting, there was an update of campus buildings going up and their openings.

Sharon Nivens reported the Directories have gone out in the mail, along with the Newsletter.

OLD OR CONTINUING COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Sharon Brown, Catering Committee, said that the June caterer would be Eskimo Joe’s.  Althea Wright, Meet and Greet Committee, said they are prepared for the next meeting.

Sharon Nivens, Membership Committee, said that she would be sending letters to newly retired persons in June.  She has received several renewals of annual memberships.  

Russ will speak with Rachel (our part-time secretary) about the Update.  It should have Emeriti trip information and information about the summer plans in it.
NEW BUSINESS:

Ron reported that he had, with the help of Zane, purchased a tablet and square card. This will enable members to use their credit card to pay for the Monday Night Dinners—three used it in April.

Ed Arquitt reported that this is the 8th year of OLLI. During that time, they have received $1.75 million dollars from the Osher Foundation and are hoping for an additional large amount. OLLI is currently updating their By-laws. He also said that OLLI has invited President and Mrs. Hargis to the May dinner at Meditations.

Sharon Brown said she still needs 2 persons to assist with graduation activities. Ron Elliott reported that the Investment Group now has room for a few more folks.

Russ thanked the Constitution, By-Laws, Policy and Procedures Committee for the work they have done prior to today and then turned it over to Dave Lewis who first spoke of the committee’s focus. He said that after the Council makes recommendations today, the committee will again meet and fine tune with corrections and will have it ready to present at the May Council meeting. There was much general discussion and suggestions about all parts of the Constitution. President Wright affirmed he would like the amended document to be presented for approval at the May 19th Council Meeting (as Dave had said they would have).

Since the next meeting day is Memorial Day, the Council meeting date has been changed to May 19th, starting at **1:00 P.M.**

Meeting adjourned at 3:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Betty Rutledge, Secretary