OSU EMERITI ASSOCIATION COUNCIL
MEETING MINUTES
August 26, 2013

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT: Dennis Bertholf, Geneva Dugger, Betty Rutledge

COUNCIL MEMBERS AT-LARGE AND COMMITTEE CHAIRS/REPRESENTATIVES
PRESENT:
Andrea Arquitt, Sharon Brown, Jim Criswell, Janice Jadlow, Joe Jadlow, Sharon Nivens, Glade Presnal, Zane Quible, Vicky Sturgeon, Clem Ward

ALSO PRESENT: Adeana Sallee

President Bertholf called the meeting to order at 1:30 p.m., asking for approval of the agenda. Sharon Brown asked that Larry Shell’s retirement be added to new business. Clem Ward moved that the amended agenda be approved; seconded, and passed. Clem Ward made a motion the minutes of the May meeting be approved as presented; seconded, and passed. Geneva Dugger reviewed the treasurer’s reports for the summer. The checking account balance as of July 31st is $11,167.82. Clem Ward moved the report be accepted; seconded, and passed. Geneva reported having difficulty getting monthly reports from the Foundation. Also, Geneva had contacted the Credit Union and, after considerable negotiations, Dennis and Geneva made the decision to not move our money out of the Credit Union and there will not be a monthly fee charged.

STANDING COMMITTEES – Dennis Bertholf, President

Communications/Newsletter - Vicky Sturgeon suggested that for the next issue of the Newsletter, the special interest groups be spotlighted and also the new vendors for the Monday Night Dinners. Articles from the interest groups should be in by September 9th.

Emeriti Ambassadors - Sharon Brown shared a note from the Alumni office thanking the Emeriti for the large mailout in July. Sharon needs two more people to cover the first home football game; those assisting should be at the Alumni Center by 2:30 p.m. Dennis talked with Brandon Mitts about our willingness to assist with Allied Arts programs; he has not heard back from him.

International Relations – Dennis reported this committee has disbanded.

President’s Report – Dennis reviewed a letter from Kendra Cost regarding the OSU Pet Therapy Program. This is a new OSU program designed to have animals available to help students and staff during stressful times. They thought emeriti might have an interest in working with this group; there will be a short training period.

Faculty Council – Dennis had been contact by Brenda Masters regarding a new program, Finish Orange (for students who begin their college career at a junior college and then transfer to OSU to complete their degree). Also, accreditation is coming around again—this time it will be spread over four years.
Dennis also spoke of the expiration of some Emeriti members terms on the Faculty Council committees.

**Standing Committees – Pat Murphy, President Elect**

**Membership** – Sharon Nivens reported that we have two new members signed up for 2014. To date in 2013, we have 27 new members.

**Activities** – Joe and Janice Jadlow reported on the programs for the remainder of 2013. In September, the program will be Circus Culture and the Community of Hugo, OK; October, Unmanned Aerial Research Program; November, Turning Point Ranch; and December, the High School Chorale. Carol Headrick is scheduled for April, 2014. A list of the Alumni Center approved catering businesses was presented. It has been decided to change vendors occasionally—in September, Meditations will serve the meal at the Alumni Center; in October, Mexico Joe’s will supply the food; in November, Kline’s will prepare a Thanksgiving themed dinner—turkey or ham; in December, the dinner will be at Meditations with the Chorale performing there. All joined in congratulating Zane Quible for thinking up and getting moving his very successful “Making the Most of Retirement.” There were 93 people at the last meeting.

**Special Interest Groups**

**Technology**– Glade Presnal reported the Technology group would have the same leadership this year. Due to others using the space the group usually uses, there may be a change of meeting room. The subject in September will be new software and hardware Issues.

**Investments** – Dennis reported this group now has 21 members and according to their bylaws could take 4 more members.

**Making the Most of Retirement** – Zane circulated lists of upcoming programs. He said people are now calling him to see if they can make a presentation. Room 119 in the Public Library is our permanently assigned room.

Zane asked if we might gift new members with a complimentary Monday Night Dinner to encourage them to return for other meetings. There was discussion on how to encourage new members. There were motions made and withdrawn as we struggled to decide how best to do this. Zane finally made a motion we start this activity on January 1, 2014, recognizing and having free MND for new members the first time they attend after joining. Sharon Brown will add a sticker to name tag of those who have already attended. There had been no second to Zane’s motion; then, Zane asked that we table the motion until the September meeting.

**Representatives to Affiliated Organizations**

**University Wide Committees**

**Athletics** – Glade reported that Mike Holder gave an update on various venues. The Indoor Practice field will have turf; the tennis facility will open in October.

**Osher Lifelong Learning Institute** – The Fall OLLI brochures have been put in the mail. There is an outstanding list of classes for October.
Old Business:
   It was decided to loan OLLI one of the office file cabinets after consolidating contents of file.

New Business:
   Representative to OSU Wellness – A group of 8 to 10 retirees will be talking with Blue Cross/Blue Shield about a wellness program.
   It was agreed upon to present Larry Shell and his wife with Life Membership in the Emeriti Association next month. Sharon will be an Ambassador representative at a “Shellabration” planned for Larry Shell.

   Joe and Janice Jadlow have resigned their position as Vice-Presidents for Program immediately, due to health issues. Dennis will be in charge at the remaining 2013 dinners.

   The president adjourned the meeting at 3:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Betty Rutledge, Secretary