OSU EMERITI ASSOCIATION
COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
AUGUST 25, 2014

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT: Gladeen Allred, Dennis Bertholf (acting president), Ed Long, Betty Rutledge

COUNCIL MEMBERS AT-LARGE AND COMMITTEE CHAIRS/REPRESENTATIVES: Judy Lewis, Ann Matoy, Sharon Nivens, Zane Quible, Vickie Sturgeon, Clem Ward, Althea Wright

ALSO PRESENT: Sharon Brown

Prior to beginning the official business, Sharon Brown introduced the three new people in the office who we will be interacting with. Lisa Porter, Manager, Alumni Center Events and Services; Anna Smith, Assistant coordinator, Events and Services; Matt Morgan, Facility Manager. Lisa asked that we be certain any Emeriti event is listed on the calendar on the bulletin board in the office. Lisa also asked for an Emeriti contact person’s e-mail—Sharon Brown agreed to be the contact person. Matt assured us that he will have the heating and air conditioning covered.

Dennis Bertholf (acting for the President Pat Murphy) called the meeting to order at 1:25 p.m. With the addition of Meet and Greet and the Newsletter under the heading of new business, Dennis declared the agenda approved; Clem Ward made a motion the minutes of the May meeting be approved; seconded and passed. In the absence of treasurer Geneva Dugger, Dennis presented the financial statement for both June and July. The June checkbook balance was $11,882.73; the July checkbook balance was $12,784.05. The reports were accepted as presented. Geneva had back surgery in Tulsa last week.

Gladeen and Ed reported the July and August informal meetings at The Hideaway were well attended. On September 8TH (the Monday Night Dinner), the New Dean of Agriculture, Dr. Trapp, along with Lyndal Stout will give the History of the 100 years of Extension. On October 6TH, the MND speaker will be the new Provost, Harry Sanderfer, will speak on “What’s In Store For OSU”; the November 3RD speaker will be Chris Steele on “Criminal Justice”; and the December 1ST MND program will be presented by the Stillwater High School Choral singers. This meeting will be held at Meditations.

Sharon Brown had obtained a list of Alumni Center approved caterers. She stated that some change will have to be made either in type of food served or amount charged for the dinners. Sharon had contacted each caterer and gotten their list of available food combinations. She went over those figures with the Council. There was discussion as to the best way to approach this. Gladeen made a motion the Council subsidize the meals for 6 months; seconded and passed. Sharon Brown made a motion a committee be appointed to come up with ideas and a survey be prepared and sent out on Survey Monkey. The problem will be presented at the September Monday Night Dinner and the group will be asked for four (4) volunteers to serve on the committee.
Sharon Brown circulated a list of the home football games for hosts/hostesses to sign up. Dennis reported that, this being the beginning meeting of Faculty Council, not much took place. He did report that Susan Harrington of the Wellness Center reported that OSU is the healthiest campus in the United States. There is a fruit and vegetable challenge on campus. There is proposed a walking trail in the vicinity of Highway 51 (6th Street) and Sangre Road around the lakes. OSU must approve any proposed trademark; they will reply to you within 24 hours. Celeste Campbell, registrar’s office, stated a policy update is that anyone called up for active duty will automatically be granted leave.

Old Business:
Sharon Nivens reported that she and Zona Noyes have been working on the mailing list and the post office addresses are in pretty good shape. The e-mail addresses are a problem. 36 new members have joined this year—16 of those after the mailout to the latest retirees. Ed Long asked if we could lower the amount of dues for those joining late in the last half of the year; no action was taken.

New Business:
There is an opening for an Emeriti Association Representative to Faculty Council and openings on the Budget, IT Screening, and Student Affairs Committees, Dennis reported.

Judy Lewis reported there was going to have to be more help with the Meet and Greet part of the Monday Night Dinners or it would have to fold. She and Dave will not be able to handle it by themselves; they will be out of town in October. Vickie Sturgeon suggested someone might volunteer for the September meeting and learn the ropes and then be able to handle the October event. There will be an announcement at the September MND, asking for volunteers.

Ann Matoy reported there are some changes in TIAA-CREF for retirees; informational meetings throughout October are being set up.
Since Adeana Sallee has retired, Dennis was asked to do the Update for September. Vickie Sturgeon reported the Emeriti Newsletter may be delayed. She also reported the Movie Discussion group is still going on. Sharon Brown will be the contact person to send reservations for the September MND.
Jack Stout reminds us that OSU parking stickers are now past due (end of July).

Announcements and Upcoming Events:
Monday, September 8th, Monday Night Dinner
Wednesday, September 17, 1:30 p.m., Stillwater Public Library, “The Ranch, new CCRC Facility”, John Harned, speaker
Monday, October 6th, Monday Night Dinner
Branson trip and program, November 4,5,6. Sign up now with Jack Stout

COUNCIL MEETING: September 29th, 1:30 p.m., Conoco-Phillips Alumni Center

Meeting adjourned 2:45 p.m.
Respectfully submitted, Betty Rutledge, Secretary