OSU EMERITI ASSOCIATION
COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
NOVEMBER 24, 2014

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT: Gladeen Allred, Dennis Bertholf, Geneva Dugger, Ed Long, Betty Rutledge


ALSO PRESENT: Kathy Smith and Russ Wright

President Dennis Bertholf called the meeting to order at 1:30 p.m. After minor corrections, the agenda was approved as presented. Ed Long moved the minutes be approved as presented; seconded and passed. Treasurer Geneva Dugger gave the financial report, stating our checking account balance is $10,714.26. Gladeen Allred moved the treasurer’s report be accepted; seconded and passed.

Member reports:

Ed and Gladeen reported some of the programs they are pursuing for next year include: The State Superintendent of Education; Chancellor Glen Johnson with an overview of the increased cost of Higher Education; Terri White on Mental Education; Carol Headrick’s book review; The Ranch update; Mike Brooks with an update on long range planning for campus; the Dole Reed project; with July and August informal meetings at The Hideaway. Ed suggested a survey to gain insight on the program interests of the members.

Dennis Bertholf reported for Faculty Council that Ron Beer has been named Ombudsman for all colleges in the system. There were reports from Dr. Robinson from The Institute for Teaching and Learning Excellence concerning the programs they have available for teaching and learning, as well as overseeing classroom multimedia, cable TV in dorms, etc. President Hargis reported that the State Regents have asked for $97M more (which would take us back to the level before recession). A celebration of the completion of the big fund drive was held at the OSU – Texas game. There is a survey out on having Fall Break the day before Homecoming—the Faculty love it; students hate it. And, the FC approved some revisions to the Honorary Degree policy.

Old Business:

Vickie Sturgeon reminded members that she should have items for the March Newsletter by the end of February. She also needs items for the Update.

Ann Matoy reported the Over 65 Prescriptions will be going up. Ann said that TIAA=CREF would be happy to a program for us.

Sharon Brown state there would be a committee meeting in January to come up with a survey of members for next year’s meals. Emeriti must be made aware of the costs that go into the meal charge other than the meal. Graduation is coming up in two weeks. Those assisting with the morning ceremony should be in place by 9:00 a.m.; afternoon assistants should be in place by 12:30 p.m.

New Business:

Charles Leider, who serves on the Long Range Planning and Information Technology committee reported on the what’s happening on campus timeline. A new project is a baseball stadium at McElroy and Washington.
Glade Presnal of the Technology Interest Group said the December topic (2nd Wednesday of the month) will be “What is the Internet and How to Use to Our Advantage.”

Dennis stated that the Emeriti Constitution shows the officer succession is President, Immediate Past President; the Vice President is not in that succession. A committee will be appointed to review Constitution and Bylaws. At the January meeting there will be a discussion of the areas that need attention.

Andrea Arquitt posed the question, “Do all committees turn in an annual report?” Should all committees meet regularly and turn in reports? There was discussion as to whether Vice-Presidents term should be two years.

Gladeen moved the Council agree that 2014 Directories could be distributed to those we are trying to interest in becoming a member. All agreed.

2015 officers are Russ Wright, President; Ed Long and Gladeen Allred, Vice-Presidents for Activities; , Ron Elliott, Treasurer; Betty Rutledge, Secretary.

The next Council meeting will be January 26th, 1:30 p.m.

Meeting adjourned at 2:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Betty Rutledge, Secretary