OSU EMERITI ASSOCIATION

COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

Monday September 24, 2018

Executive Committees Members present: Sharon Nivens, Tana Rutan, Ron Elliott, Anne Matoy, Dennis Bertholf, Chuck Leider

Committee Chairs/Representatives present: Kay Keys, Clem Ward, Zane Quible, Russ Wright, Bob Wettemann, Barbara Miller, Glade Presnal

Approval of Agenda: Nothing added

Approval of August Council Minutes: Stand as presented.

Approval of Treasurer’s Report

Ron Elliott, Treasurer

This report is for July and August. Note the endowments roll out cash the end of the fiscal year. The Treasurer’s report is accepted as presented by Ron.

Reports and Updates:

Marie Spillman will receive the Emeriti Scholarship this year. We will invite her to one of our dinner programs.

Vice-President Activities – Dennis Bertholf

Catering & Reservations

Clem Ward

The Summer get-togethers at Hide Away were well attended. Everyone enjoyed Pizza and catching up. The September 10th dinner meeting at the Student Union was well received but the attendance was just a bit down. Klein’s Catering will provide the meal for the October 1 dinner meeting. Mexico Joes will provide the meal at the November dinner meeting.

Monthly Programs

Russ Wright

The October 1st dinner meeting speaker will be Melody Kellogg from the Stillwater Public Library. She will cover the perception of the library and give an over view of events and functions of the Library. Coach Boynton will give a talk on the OSU Basketball program in November. December we will be at Meditations with the Stillwater High School Coral group. Russ mentioned he may have Ruth Cavens talk to us about CASA at our February or March meeting.
Interest Groups

Making the Most of Retirement Zane Quible

The October 17 meeting of Making the Most of Retirement special interest group will feature a new programming component offered for the first time: The moderated discussion group. The title of this session is “Estate-Planning Tips,” and the session will be moderated by Zane Quible. The main topics that will be discussed are Transfer on Death accounts (TOD), Payable on Death accounts (POD), wills, and living (revocable) trusts. In February we may have an “Arm Chair Travel” presentation.

Technology Group Glade Presnal

In October the topic covered will be “Cutting the Cord” about cable or not. In November the topic covered will be “How to Cut Down on Spam and Uninvited Calls.” He mentioned 12-18 people generally attend these sessions. He also attends the Athletic Council meetings and the Athletic department is now working on a green belt area behind the Tennis Center. Russ mentioned the Soccer facility is almost completed.

President – Sharon Nivens

Faculty Council Barbara Miller

Barbara mentioned at the last meeting the following topics were brought up: OSU needs more Media exposure so the best way to increase it will be researched and put into place. Gary Clark mentioned a new 4 story building will be in the works. The new Art Museum will be located between the McKnight Center and the Wesley Foundation building. January 2021 the new Music Center will be finished. The new name for the music dept. is “The School of Music”. Wall Street Journal announced OSU ranks 88 in good Universities. OSU is climbing in the rankings. A government agency may go into the old Cowboy Mall building. Women’s Faculty Council is raising money for a research award for Faculty.

Ambassadors Russ Wright

Russ told us the Fall Commencement will take place on December 15 and he needs volunteers for 2 sessions.

McCollom Gift Kay Keys

Recommendations to the OSU Emeriti Association Council from

Committee II: McCollom Donation

The committee met on September 10 to review the recommendations of the previous committee and outline specifics on how to use the generous donation received from Katherine McCollom, widow of
Founder Ken McCollom. After considerable discussion, the committee generated the following recommendations:

1. That the $10,000 gift be added to the existing endowment
2. That a second undergraduate scholarship, the McCollom Emeriti Scholarship, be awarded annually
3. That the scholarship carry the same requirements outlined for the Emeriti Scholarship
4. That the Association utilize new and/or existing funds to raise the endowment to $50,000
5. That the Association publicize the new scholarship (and the Association) in the STATE magazine

Committee II: Kathryn Castle, Dave Lewis, Mike Lorenz, Sharon Nivens, Bob Terry, and Kay Keys, Chair

Ron thanked the Committee for the good guidelines here and the hard work they put in to this project.

Clem made a motion to add the funds to our Scholarship endowment. Bob seconded and motion passed. With this gift we will be able to give two scholarships next year.

Use of Emeriti Email List Zane Quible

Zane asked if the Council would allow “Aging Advocates” to use the Emeriti email list to send a notification to members of their upcoming event on Care Giving. Since this may apply to most of our members at some time during the aging process, and since the group is not selling anything, the council agreed this will be allowed. Zane will ask Misty to help with this and also put the announcement in the Update.

Fall Newsletter Sharon Nivens

Since we don’t have a designated person to take care of Newsletter articles Anne suggested all those who have committees to go ahead and write information about their programs and what they have going on in them. There are several items worth putting in the Newsletter/Update. All Newsletter items must be submitted to Misty by October 15. Anne is sending a list to Misty with some Newsletter items. Misty can put the Newsletter together for us if she has the information. The Fall Newsletter generally goes out with the new Directories.

October Update Information Misty Burk/Sharon Nivens

Items discussed for the Update and Newsletter: Technology Group programs, Making the Most of Retirement, Programs for the rest of the year, filling vacant appointments to Faculty Council Committees, Emeriti Scholarship awardee for this year - Marie Spillman, McCollum Emeriti Scholarship, remind everyone of the end of year 2018 contributions, gifts to OSU Foundation are charitable contributions, and annual members paying dues.

Other:
This week Anne will meet with Amy Hoy in OSU H.R. Benefits, to discuss the Part D Rx rates and why are they so expensive.

Chuck made a motion to adjourn and Dennis seconded and we adjourned at 2:45 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Tana Rutan