

MSU FACULTY EMERITI ASSOCIATION  
STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES  
Wednesday, May 10, 2017  
Red Cedar Room B, Kellogg Center

ANNUAL MEETING

Chairperson Rainey called the annual meeting to order at 1:14 pm.

Members attending: Pauline Adams, John Forsyth, Charles Gliozzo, Jim Potchen, John Powell, James Rainey, Albert Sparrow, Gordon Spink, Gary Stone, and Cindi Leverich of the Academic Advancement Network. Not attending: Bob Banks, Jenny Bond, Bernie Gallin, and Steve Harsh.

Chairperson Rainey commented that the business of the Annual Meeting was to approve changes to bylaws, if any, and to elect members to new terms on the Steering Committee. Rainey also noted that the minutes of the Annual Meeting of May 11, 2016 were approved at the September 14, 2016 meeting of the Steering committee.

There being no changes proposed to the bylaws, the committee read the written report of the Nominations Committee which had been forwarded by Jenny Bond. Pursuant to that report, Forsyth moved that Bernie Gallin, Jenny Bond and Charles Gliozzo be appointed to terms on the Steering committee for 2017 to 2020. Potchen seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

Chairperson Rainey noted that Pauline Adams was completing her third term on the Steering Committee and is exercising her right to not continue. He thanked her for her exceptional contributions which included representing the Faculty Emeriti Association at meetings of the Board of Trustees and guiding the oral history project, and for her wit and wise counsel.

Forsyth agreed to continue as secretary. Rainey did not wish to continue as chair, so the meeting in September will need to select a chair and vice-chair.

Chairperson Rainey adjourned the annual meeting at 1:23 pm.

The regular monthly meeting followed immediately as noted on the following pages.

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Chairperson Rainey called the regular monthly meeting to order at 1:24 pm.

Members attending: Pauline Adams, John Forsyth, Charles Gliozzo, Jim Potchen, John Powell, James Rainey, Albert Sparrow, Gordon Spink, Gary Stone, and Cindi Leverich of the Academic Advancement Network. Not attending: Bob Banks, Jenny Bond, Bernie Gallin, and Steve Harsh.

Minutes of the meeting of April 12, 2017. John Powell noted that in item 5 on health care it was not accurate to say that the Health Care Committee was writing a contract. Rather a document is being drafted by university staff to invite a proposal from an experienced firm to define details of operational costs under a model or models with which the firm has experience. The minutes were approved subject to that correction.

Board of Trustees – Jenny Bond was not present to report, but the Board met April 13, 2017 and among other business recognized 52 Board of Trustees Scholars who earned 4.0 grade point averages, the largest group of such scholars since the recognition began.

University Council – Powell commented on the meeting of April 25, 2017. The President and the Provost made comments and thanked the council members for their work during the year. The Council was advised of the new development of a global travel registry that allows the university to quickly contact university personnel, including study-abroad students, when activities of concern occur in their travel areas. Sue Carter presented a detailed report on the year's activities of the Athletic Council.

Faculty Senate and Health Care – The April 18 meeting considered the work addressing sexual violence and the legal constraints on comments about situations. There were also comments about an article by Times Higher Education World University Rankings naming Michigan State University as one of 53 “Powerhouse” universities poised to rival traditional universities (Oxford and Cambridge). Student involvement in research was a big plus for MSU.

Lecture Series – Gliozzo noted the Dr. Clare Luz would present the last talk of this academic year on May 18, dealing with aging. The next talk after Luz would be in September.

Oral History – The group expressed an interest in interviews with faculty who had pursued teaching over a long term to complement interviews with those who had become better known through administrative appointments or research fame.

Recognition Awards – Jenny Bond's written report was submitted, citing Jim Kielbaso and Gordon Miracle as individual recipients.

New Business – Gliozzo offered a motion for the Steering Committee to send a letter to President Simon supporting her work and the university's work on addressing the sensitive issues of relationship violence and sexual assault. Those present supported the motion with the proviso that those absent be poled to see if they would agree to presenting this as a unanimous decision of the Steering Committee.

Gliozzo offered a comment to thank Forsyth for communicating information about FEA presentations to emeriti faculty at large.

Submitted by John Forsyth