

MICHIGAN STATE UNIVERSITY FACULTY EMERITI ASSOCIATION
STEERING COMMITTEE
WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 14, 2018
ROOM 204 INTERNATIONAL CENTER

MINUTES

Present were John Forsyth, Robert Banks, Bernie Gallin, Charles Gliozzo, Steve Harsh, Michael Koppisch, James Potchen, Gary Stone, and Cindi Leverich of the Academic Advancement Network. Not present: Jenny Bond, Brad Greenberg, John Powell, Albert Sparrow, and Gordon Spink.

Gary Stone convened the meeting at 1:07 pm.

Stone attended the Faculty Senate meeting on February 13, 2018 at which a vote was taken stating no confidence in the Board of Trustees. The number of media, observing faculty and students present led Public Safety officers eventually to not admit more visitors. The meeting was for the single purpose of approving or not approving the statement of no confidence. An attempt to amend the statement to give specific reasons for no confidence was ruled out of order according to the bylaws. After open discussion, the motion passed 61-4. A regular meeting of the Faculty Senate was scheduled for February 21, 2018.

Gary Stone reported that at its January meeting the Faculty Health Council, reviewed a study of the Livongo sugar monitoring device that provides analysis and feedback to the user via the internet. Based on data relating to active employees it is expected that providing the monitoring device and supplies would cost the university about \$80,000 per year, which is expected to be offset by reduced costs of intervention related to complications of diabetes. There was no data nor mention of retirees. Stone indicated that he tried without success to find whether retirees would be included in the program.

Harsh moved and Gliozzo seconded a motion that if the project for blood sugar monitoring goes ahead then retirees should be able to participate. Motion passed unanimously.

Harsh agreed to represent the Faculty Emeriti Association at the Board of Trustees meeting on Friday, February 16, 2018.

Materials soliciting nominations for FEA Awards have been distributed and posted on the Faculty Emeriti Association web site. Two nominations for individual awards have been received. The deadline for nomination is February 23, 2018.

Gliozzo reminded the group that on February 21 Professor Eric Scorsone will give a talk on Home Rule, Local Control and Public Finance in Michigan. Professor Anil Jain is scheduled for March 22, 2018 with Biometrics; How do I know Who You Are? In April Steven Cook of the Council on Foreign Relations will discuss US-Turkey Relations. It was suggested to have a presentation on the gerrymandering issue.

It was requested to have a future meeting of the Steering Committee pursue the issue of getting a status for the Faculty Emeriti Association that would allow donors to support FEA operations via tax-deductible donations to Michigan State University.

Adjourned at 2:12 pm.

The next meeting will be March 14, 2018, 1:00-3:00 pm, Room 204 International Center.

-- Submitted by John Forsyth