Michigan State University Faculty Emeriti Association Steering Committee Meeting Minutes January 25, 2023

- (1) Ric Hula convened the meeting at 1:00 pm. Member Present: John Baker, Richard Hula, John Forsyth, Charles Gliozzo, Stephen Harsh, Cindi Leverich, David Long, Richard Simonds, Gary Stone, and Jane Vieth
- (2) Approval of the Minutes- The minutes of the meeting of December 7, 2021, were approved.

(3) Reports

Lecture Series-Charles Gliozzo Feb 27 speakers from governor's office, Erin Smith executive management assistant to Farah Henley chief of a new agency serving elders health administrator.

Health Care and Faculty Senate - Gary Stone No report.

University Council-Dave Long Meeting not to be held until the following month

Faculty awards- Baker, Vieth, and Long will review nominations. Cindy is trying to get the FEA award announced at annual awards event. There is sentiment around the university for getting wider recognition of awards for both active employees and retirees.

Technology Projects - John Forsyth No report.

Oral History Projects - Jane Vieth Will share a list of potential interviewees to committee. She met with Michael Laney the new director of Vincent Voice Library. It was recommended to have a link to recent interviews on FEA website with short description.

Central Administration - Cindi Leverich to provide a mailing list for pre-2011 academic retires and add those to communications from FEA. For post-2011 include all retirees with fixed term or tenured academic appointments or executive management but not specialists.

Chair Report-Ric Hula will sit on interviews with HR director finalists. Jan 30 delayed, Feb 1 interview still scheduled.

5. Old Business

Member Survey Revisit-Dave Long Notify retirees that the online directory at the university is as extensive as is advisable. Put info on directories on web site. Legal issues and liability. Refer to MSU people search. Harsh to draft letters about directories to email to emeriti.

Item from survey:

Another area of concern was the interaction(s) (e.g., lack of communication, ability to be involved) of faculty emeriti with their units and colleges. Harsh to draft a letter bringing the issue to deans and chairpersons.

Retirement Benefits- Humana contract extended through 2024 pending appointment of new director of benefits.

Retiree benefits lost: rental cars, Wall Street Journal, Computer store—hardware and software— Cindi will try to find out how the University funds insurance for active employees travelling outside US.

6. New Business

7. Working Groups: Hula will try to engage emeriti to address specific benefits issues, such as erosion of benefits over time.

Adjourned at: 2:56pm Next meeting February 15. Submitted by John Forsyth