

STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES MSU FACULTY EMERITI ASSOCIATION
Wednesday, November 17, 2010, 1:30-3:30 p.m., Rm. 302 International Center

1. Welcome and Brief Announcements Present: Chairperson Charles Gliozzo, Pauline Adams, Christine Birdwell, Larry Fischer, John Forsyth, Grover Hudson, Bruce Miller, David Rovner and Al Sparrow.
2. Minutes of October 27, 2010 were approved.
3. By-Laws –Bruce Miller Added provision that “The Steering Committee may add members at its discretion. The draft sets the number of Steering Committee members at “twelve or more.” Board moved to approve draft for submission to the voting members at the next annual meeting.
4. Awards Committee – The Steering Committee accepted a written report from Jim Rainey on progress of soliciting nominations for awards.
5. Internet and Website- David Rovner is working with Faculty Organization and Development to transition to new web site in spring 2011.
6. Lecture Series- December talk yet to be arranged. Larry Fischer asked to have the assignment transferred to a new person. Bruce Miller offered to lead the ongoing effort. Fischer and Miller will check availability of the Radiology Auditorium December 14-17.
7. Board of Trustees – Pauline Adams listed several contracts reported as approved at the November 2010 Board of Trustees meeting. The President's message to the trustees advocated learning from the British to not cut funding for research because research is the foundation for the future. Norbert Mueller Mech Engr spoke to the trustees about his invention of a wave-disc engine which promises to be more efficient than internal combustion. MSU will try to patent. Mueller is also inventing new compressors for air conditioners.
8. *Health Care and Faculty Council –Gary Stone was out of town. He reported via Gliozzo that the Faculty Council will not meet. On Health care, Gary stated that MSU’s consultant, the Mercer Corporation will review MSU’s health data on how to cut costs and make recommendations to the university administration.
9. Academic Council –Grover Hudson Council met Nov 16. Pres Simon indicated Magic Johnson as commencement speaker as an entrepreneur and businessman, not as an athlete.
10. Oral History: Gliozzo would like to continue getting interviews. Adams agreed to interview Terry Denbow for an oral history. Gliozzo offered to conduct an interview with someone to be named later.
11. Speaker’s Bureau: Gliozzo suggested developing a list of emeriti who could be called upon to speak on topics in their specialties. FEA Planned Trips- Gliozzo asked whether the FEA might provide leadership for travel by groups of emeriti.

12. The meeting adjourned at 3:15p.m.

Next meeting date is December 15, 2010.

Submitted by: John Forsyth