Michigan State University Faculty Emeriti Association
Steering Committee Meeting
14 April 2021 1:00 p.m.

MINUTES


2. Changes or additions to the agenda. None

3. Approval of the minutes – John Forsyth  Approved March 10, 2021 meeting of the Steering Committee

4. Provost Teresa K. Woodruff comments and discussion (1:30 - 2:00) Along with Marilyn Amey.  About one-fifth of grades were changed by students to Satisfactory-Not Satisfactory.  Suggested emeriti encourage active faculty working under Covid restrictions.  Release of student evaluations to administration was made voluntary.

5. Projects and committee reports.
   a. Lecture Series – Charles Gliozzo  President Stanley on April 29, 2021.  The MSU Covid-19 Experience.  In May we are trying to get a speaker knowledgeable about southeast Asia or an HR person on health care.  There will not be lectures during the summer.
   b. Healthcare & Faculty Senate – Gary Stone  Health Care Council met March 26.  HR reported then that a difficulty a retiree experienced during the changeover to Humana had been resolved.
      – Discussion regarding the appropriate role of the FEA in responding to the forwarded concerns regarding Humana.  It was recommended to have a lecture presented by HR on how to navigate the new healthcare system.
   c. University Council – David Long  Discussed meeting fourth Wednesdays so the information from Faculty Senate and University Council would be more up to date.
   d. Faculty Awards – John Baker  Cancelled for this year.
   e. Technology Projects – John Forsyth  Nothing new.
   g. Comments regarding ever-changing adjustments, new developments and trends in central administration – Cindi Leverich  Reviewed several search activities and coming implementation of university-wide policies.

6. Old Business
   a. Survey update – Survey Committee
      – Response rate to present
        * Follow up with non-responders
      – Analysis of returned surveys  Cindi will do an initial Qualtrix (sp?) reduction and each committee member will get a small set of questions to do more in-depth analysis.
      – Plans for sharing results
b. Discussion related to revision of bylaws – Bylaws Revision Committee (Vieth, Simonds, & Stone)
Suggested adding to the mission statement as drafted by Long, changing the size of the Steering Committee to eight (rather than twelve) or more, removing term limits of officers and making them eligible for re-election and using Roberts Rules of Order quorums.

7. New Business
a. Expanding the membership of the Steering Committee.

8. Adjournment 2:47pm.

Next Meeting: Adjusted date is May 5 (one week earlier than normal).