

# Michigan State University Faculty Emeriti Association Steering Committee Meeting

## MINUTES

Present: John Baker, John Forsyth, Charles Gliozzo, Steve Harsh, Richard Hula, David Long, Gary Stone, Cindi Leverich. Not present: Jane Vieth

1. Opening Comments – Ric Hula convened the meeting by Zoom at 1:05 pm
  2. Changes or additions to the agenda. -- None
  3. Approval of prior meeting minutes (April 20, 2022) – Harsh moved and Long seconded approval. Motion passed unanimously.
  4. Projects and committee reports.
    - a. Lecture Series – Charles Gliozzo. David Firestein will present via Zoom on October 27, 2022. Negotiations are proceeding for talks by Provost Woodruff, Governor Whitmer, and sports columnist Graham Crouch.
    - b. Healthcare & Faculty Senate – Gary Stone Healthcare Committee: There might be considerations for a new dental plan provider, although the benefit is expected to be about the same. Faculty Senate: A statement was produced sanctioning the MSU Board of Trustees for inserting itself into the operational issue regarding the College of Business.
    - c. University Council – David Long reported the September meeting was cancelled.
    - c. Faculty Awards – John Baker noted that awards were presented in the spring of 2022.
    - d. Technology Projects – John Forsyth had no report.
    - e. Oral History Project – Jane Vieth was not present.
    - g. Comments regarding ever-changing adjustments, new developments and trends in central administration – Cindi Leverich noted that Pravid David has been appointed Associate Provost for Faculty and Academic Development. Kevesi Craig Brookins has been named to head the Office of University Outreach.
  5. Old Business
    - a. Update on the presentation to the Faculty Health Care Committee: Harsh had presented the results of the survey taken by the Faculty Emeriti Association about Humana coverage.
    - b. Any further action needed with respect to retirees' health care: discussion.
    - c. Update on revision of the bylaws – Bylaws Revision Committee (Vieth, Simonds, & Stone) A draft is not yet ready.
    - d. Response to Provost Woodruff's request for feedback regarding changes to the Emeritus policy. Apparently the new policy, with some of the FEA suggestions included, was approved by the Board of Trustees at a summer session. Leverich offered to find and forward the official listing.
    - e. Replacement of Long on the University Council. Long agreed to continue.
  6. New Business
    - a. Provost Woodruff's desire to meet with the Steering Committee. A list of talking points needs to be developed.
    - b. Expanding the membership of the Steering Committee. A letter to new emeriti was suggested. The annual faculty retirement luncheon has been changed to a reception for only those in the current retirement cohort.
  7. Adjournment was at 1:56pm.
- Next Meeting: October 19, 2022, via Zoom. Submitted by John Forsyth

