MSU Faculty Emeriti Association
Steering Committee Meeting
Wednesday, Mar 18, 2009
1:30-3:30 p.m.
209 Olds Hall

1. The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Forsyth at 1:30 p.m. with the following members present: Rovner, Gliozzo, Rivera, Bader, Birdwell, Adams, Forsyth, Shaw, Nelson, Mather, Stone, Ferris, Sparrow, Fischer and Hudson.

2. The minutes of February 18, 2009 meeting were approved as corrected.

3. Awards and Nominations Committee: Gliozzo reported that the committee met and reviewed applications. Two individuals will be recognized this year; there will be no unit award this time. Forsyth and Rivera agreed to staff the Association’s table at the Retiree Recognition luncheon on April 14, 2009. Four new members will be needed for Steering Committee membership. Suggestions are requested by Stone.

4. Lecture/Seminar Series: Fischer and other interested Steering Committee members will meet later this afternoon with Library staff to identify the appropriate person to discuss one or more of the Library’s special collections at the next seminar. It was suggested that in the fall, it might be appropriate to have someone from the Voice Library be a seminar presenter and a way to tie-in with the Oral History Project. It was agreed that no lectures will be presented in June and July. Based on a motion by Rovner, seconded by Birdwell, Shaw was asked to purchase 10 ($50) certificates at Schuler’s Book Store for gifts of appreciation for future guest speakers.

5. Emeriti Survey: Mather indicated that the survey is being readied for electronic dissemination and will be distributed as soon as the E-mail list is finalized. The hope is to have people respond on line.

6. Oral History Project: Adams will conduct an interview in March; Gliozzo plans to do his in May. A number of other potential subjects were suggested: Marilyn Rothert, Carolyn Stieber and Jack Stieber.

7. Council Reports: Stone indicated that the work of the Health Care Task Force continues, and he may call upon Steering Committee members to attend a special meeting if the group’s feedback on possible considerations would assist him at future deliberations. There was no Trustee Meeting report.

8. New Business: It was agreed that the Annual Meeting of the Association be held on May 20, 2009, the regular meeting date of the Steering Committee. Shaw was asked to check on the availability of the Corniche Room of Kellogg Center for the meeting; modest refreshments will be served. Members were reminded that new photo ID cards for retirees are in order and may be obtained in the Administration Building. Mather urged members who have received a “Retention Survey” from the Provost’s Office to take the time to complete it.
9. The meeting was adjourned at 2:56 p.m.

Schedule of Faculty Emeriti Association Steering committee meeting dates through July: April 15, 2009; May 20, 2009, June 17, 2009; and July 15, 2009. Meetings will be 1:30-3:30 P.M., Room 209 Olds Hall unless otherwise indicated.

Maxine S. Ferris
Secretary