MSU Emeriti Faculty Association Steering Committee Meeting Minutes 209 Olds Hall October 18, 2006 1:30-3:30 p.m.

Attendees: Stone, Reid, Gliozzo, Medick, Sommers, Greenbaum, Kimball, Forsyth and Shaw

I. Welcome

Chair Stone welcomed the group and noted that the next two meetings of the Steering Committee will be on November 15 and December 20. Stone said that a lunch meeting was planned with Don Jost of the MSU Retiree Association. The purpose is to keep in communications with the other organization so that no conflicts develop. That meeting is scheduled for October 31.

- II. The minutes of the September 20, 2006 meeting were approved with changes noted.
- III. Professor Gliozzo discussed the possibility of visiting other Universities that had faculty retiree groups to learn about their groups and their relationships within the University. A trip to the University of Indiana will be planned and the Steering Committee will be updated at a later meeting.

IV. Updates:

A. MSU Retiree Association

Professor Wickert updated the Committee on The Retiree Association meeting. He indicated that a note on the next lecture by Dr. Greenberg on January 11, 2007 would have to be sent in by early November if we wanted it to go into the "Senior Citizen"

B. Representation on University Committees

A meeting was held with Dr. Potchen, Chair of ECAC to discuss our representation on University Committees. Stone and Sommers met with Dr. Potchen on October 17 and it seemed to be a very productive meeting. Dr. Potchen indicated to us that he agrees that the MSU Faculty Emeriti Association should be represented on selected University Committees. He will start the process at the next meeting of Academic Council. He pointed out to us that all of these meetings are open and we were welcome as guests at any time. We could be visitors until that point that we are officially recognized as members of the Committee.

It was decided that the Steering Committee needs to spend time and develop directions for the Association for the future. Dr. Medick suggested that each person of the Committee develop a list of 3 ways that the mission of the FEA could be strengthened and that the next meeting (November 15) be devoted solely to a "Think Tank" for looking at these suggestions. This idea was approved by the Steering Committee. Dr. Potchen and Dr. Sticklen will be invited to attend.

C. Awards Committee

Professor Gliozzo indicated that a meeting had been held by the Awards Committee and letters to be sent out to Deans and Department Chairs had been revised. They will be sent out in January with the idea that nominations for the awards will be sent in by late February. The awards will be made at the April Retiree luncheon.

D. Lecture/Seminar Committee

Professor Gliozzo provided information on the January 11, 2007 Seminar. It will be presented by Dr. Bradley Greenberg. Dr. Greenberg will be introduced by Professor Sommers. Professor Reid will send out the email notice the week prior to the presentation.

V. The group discussed the need for elections for the academic year 2006-2007 and to move towards an 11 member Steering Committee. Approaches to developing these procedures will need to be discussed at our next regular meeting.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned a 3:40 p.m.