

MSU FACULTY EMERITI ASSOCIATION
STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING
Wednesday December 14, 2011 Room 302 International Center

1. Chairperson Gliozzo called the meeting to order Wednesday, December 14, 2011, Room 302 International Center at 1:00 pm. In attendance: Pauline Adams, Bill Cambray, John Forsyth, Rita Gallin, Charles Gliozzo, Bruce Miller, Jim Rainey, David Rovner, Gary Stone

2. Minutes of Wednesday, November 9, 2011 minutes were approved.

3. Discussion on Tony Kliebecker's message on emeritus listings in the on-line directory. The group asked Gliozzo to write Kliebecker thanking him for the progress and looking forward to refining the designations for emeriti by rank and using the term emeritus.

4. Discussion on draft letter to the deans. Significant revisions were recommended. Rainey offered to produce another draft.

5. Board of Trustees- Pauline Adams The December 9, 2011 meeting announced a new appointment in Communication Sciences and Disorders and another in Small Animal Clinical Sciences. John Revitte was appointed Interim Faculty Grievance Officer. The Board approved a revision to the campus Master Plan which emphasizes improved transportation and protecting green space. Two new investment managers were hired. The Board approved proceeding on a variety of repair projects including infrastructure (steam, communications and water lines) renovating the first floor of the Administration Building, a new scoreboard at Spartan Stadium, and phase 7 of old college field. There will be a 5% increase on non-contributing pension payments. A report on environmental stewardship noted that the campus emissions saw a 7% reduction in greenhouse gases since 2010.

Water conservation will be the next emphasis. Eight seniors graduated with 4.0 GPA -- 4 men, 4 women. Mary Nettleman from Human Medicine reported on her work on women's health research.

Adams reported that she had interviewed Dee Cook for the oral history project

6. Health Care and Faculty Senate – Gary Stone Senate did not meet since Nov 9. Health Care: A recent proposal from the university health team for an on-site health care system excludes retirees and bargaining unit employees which Stone felt would make the audience too small for the idea to work. Medicare-eligible employees and Medicare-eligible retirees would not be able to participate.

7. University Council - David Rovner All units to be reviewed over the next few months or years. Faculty forum meetings are under way, and they are open meetings. Campus use and redesign might produce a decrease in on-campus driving, parking on periphery, use of buses. Campus ID allows free rides on on-campus bus routes

8. Lecture Series – Bruce Miller Eleven people attended last session, a disappointing turnout. On January 18 ,2012 at 2 pm Leonard Fleck, Center for Humanities in the Health Sciences, will present “Medicare: Just Rationing or just rationing?”

9. Title Recommendations for FEA Library Lecture Series: Stephanie Perentesis seeks topic suggestions for sessions in spring 2012.

10. FEA Awards – Jim Rainey The awards will be presented at the retirees luncheon in April. Solicitation of nominees will be in January.

11. New Business No new business was introduced.

Next Meeting date is Wednesday January 11, 2011in Room 302 International Center, 1:00-3:00 pm. The standard schedule is every second Wednesday monthly.

Submitted by John Forsyth