

MSU FACULTY EMERITI ASSOCIATION
STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING
WEDNESDAY, MARCH 13, 2013
ROOM 303 INTERNATIONAL CENTER

Chairperson Gliozzo called the meeting to order at 1:02 pm. Members in attendance: Pauline Adams, Joseph Chartkoff, Charles Gliozzo, Bruce Miller, and Gary Stone.

I. WELCOME: Chairperson Gliozzo explained the absences of the other Steering Committee members.

II. APPROVAL OF FEBRUARY 13, 2013, MINUTES: Miller moved, Adams seconded; approved unanimously as submitted.

III. BOARD OF TRUSTEES – PAULINE ADAMS: No meeting to report. The Board will not meet again until April.

IV. FACULTY SENATE AND HEALTH CARE – GARY STONE: Faculty Senate approved some proposed changes in curriculum of a few programs. Most of the meeting was devoted to discussions of changes, some proposed and some coming into effect, in health care coverage policies affecting current faculty and staff.

V. UNIVERSITY COUNCIL AND LECTURE SERIES – BRUCE MILLER: The main topic concerned the Affordable Health Care Act and its impact on faculty, staff and retirees. Renee Rivard, Director of Human Resources and Asst. Vice President for Benefits, noted that if someone works for 130 or more hours per month, they must be insured as full-time employees, which affects unit budgets as well as individual employment options.

Also noted was the upcoming lecture, to be given by Mordechai Kreinin, University Distinguished Professor of Economics, on the Euro currency situation. The lecture will be given at the Radiology Auditorium on Monday, March 18, 2013, at 2:30 PM.

VI. FEA AWARDS – JIM RAINEY: The FEA awards will be presented at the annual MSU Retirees Association luncheon at the Kellogg Center on April 2nd. No unit will be presented with an award this year. Two individuals will be given awards, however: George W. Bird (Professor Emeritus of Entomology) and Ralph J. Votapek (Professor Emeritus of Music). The recipients were chosen by Awards Committee members Jim Rainey and Linda Nelson.

VII. STATUS OF FEA HISTORY PROJECT – JOE CHARTKOFF: FEA history research was continued in ten topics, and progress in writing the text was made in six areas, particularly the FEA's creation and early development. As drafts of text sections are completed, they will be circulated among Steering Committee members to gain critical evaluation, corrections, relevant additions and other useful feedback. This circulation should begin in the next 2-3 months.

VIII. DISCUSSION ON INTERIM PROVOST JUNE YOUATT: The question had been raised as to whether Interim Provost Youatt should be invited to attend a Steering Committee meeting so she could advise the Committee of her views on the duties, power and responsibilities of the Provost. Discussion at this meeting led to the conclusion that it would be better to wait until the next regular Provost was appointed, and to invite that Provost to meet with our Steering Committee for such a discussion.

IX. CONSTITUTE NOMINATION COMMITTEE IN PREPARATION FOR NEXT MEETING: The next election of the officers for the Steering Committee is to take place at the May, 2013, meeting. The Nominations Committee, chaired by Jennie Bond and also including Gary Stone and John Forsyth, will choose a list of candidates willing to serve which will be presented at the May meeting. A fourth member is to be gained from the FEA population who is not on the Steering Committee at present. The list of candidates for the officer election is to be presented to the Steering Committee by its April 10th meeting. Under current By-laws, no officer can serve more than two consecutive years in that elected position, so rotations need to occur. Election of members of the Steering Committee takes place at a different meeting, and thus will be a different event.

X. ORAL HISTORY – PAULINE ADAMS: No new news was available. Requests were made for suggestions as to names of other individuals to be interviewed for the recording of their histories.

XI. NEW BUSINESS: None.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:25 p.m.

The next meeting will be on Wednesday, April 10, 2013, at 1:00 – 3:00 p.m. in the International Center, in either Room 302 or Room 303 -- notice will be sent by email.

Submitted by: Joe Chartkoff