

## OSU Emeriti Council Meeting Minutes

Monday, September 30, 2024

1:30 Emeriti Suite

**Executive Committee Members Present:** Carolyn Gang, Priscilla Gerfen, Ron Miller, Becky Schlais and Mike Woods

**Council Members Present:** Gary Clark, Judy Hoberock, Ray Huhnke, Michael Lorenz, Carol Schmitz, Gerald Stangl, and Sue Williams

**Committee Chairs Present:**

**Emeriti Support Present:** Vacant

**Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order by Mike Woods at 1:30 PM.

**Minutes:** There was motion to accept August 26<sup>th</sup> meeting minutes with changes by Clark and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Woods. Minutes were approved.

### **President's Report:**

Mike informed Council that there had been change to Emeriti Representation for University Committees:

Tom Royer has replaced Barbara Miller as our representative to the OSU Faculty Council

Intellectual Property change – Keith Willett informed Woods that Emeriti representation was no longer requested.

Mike shared that more information will be forthcoming from OSU about changes to password requirements for emails.

Mike and Ron Miller worked on putting Emeriti Scholarship and Endowment Agreements on Google Drive for Council to have access to. Please share your Gmail address with Mike and he can give you access to documents. Mike is working on document repository for all Emeriti documents.

Reminder to let Joyce Sherrer know if you are interested in being an Emeriti Ambassador.

Mike alerted Council that there was a user error pertaining to RSVPs via the Database about Monday Night Dinner. He is working with Clark to correct the problem.

**Treasurer's Report:** Ron Miller prepared the August and September 2024 Treasurer's Report for Emeriti Council to review. He informed Council that reimbursement had been received for the 35<sup>TH</sup> Anniversary, \$4,000 was deposited into CD 5010 for six months, and a credit card payment was paid twice in error. Miller was working with bank and credit card to get it taken care of. Council members appreciated his accountability and additional information provided for the reports. There were no questions of submitted reports and reports were received.

Mike informed Council it was determined the Emeriti Executive Council exists to answer questions about financial decisions between Council meetings and there is no need for a separate financial advisory committee, should the Treasurer have questions.

**Past President's Report:** No report.

**Vice-President for Activities:** Priscilla gave quick overview of upcoming speaker that have been confirmed.

October will be Dr. Melinda Cro, Dean of the College of Arts and Sciences.

Fall program is being worked on and exciting programs planned. November program will be Lt. Col. Michael Cheatham and AFROTC Color Guard, and December will be the Stillwater High School choral group performing.

Gang asked about program for next year and Mike informed her that would be task for new VP for Activities and new President. Gang requested a December Council meeting to discuss Alumni schedule for 2025, planned activities and catering. Also to make any necessary financial changes to documents for new treasurer and president. Ron Miller mentioned that he was working with Ron Elliott to get everything officially moved to Emeriti FEI number.

**Administrative Assistant Report:** No report

**Membership Report:** Mike Lorenz gave update on process for recruiting new retirees. He is working with Clark to simplify the email process when providing information and benefits about Emeriti Association to new retirees. This process has already increased new memberships.

**OLLI:** Carol Schmitz stated there was no update on vacant staff position. Revised position description has been submitted to HR but no updates.

Update on the Mary Frye Live and Learn Symposium, there were 35 people who attended the event.

### **Announcements:**

Sue Williams announced that Tom Wikle has been appointed OSU Ombuds Officer. The Ombuds Office was established in October 2013 to promote a supportive learning and working environment at OSU. The office serves as a resource for all members of OSU (faculty, students, staff, administrators, and post-doctoral fellows) and offers a safe, confidential place to talk about campus-related problems.

Fellowship gatherings will be held on November 5<sup>th</sup>, and December 6<sup>th</sup>. The next Council Meeting will be October 28<sup>th</sup>.

**Adjournment:** It was moved that the meeting be adjourned. The motion passed, and the meeting was adjourned at 2:20.

Respectfully submitted,

Becky Schlais, Secretary

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