**MSURA BOARD MEETING MINUTES**

April 29, 2015

125 Nisbet Building, Michigan State University, East Lansing, Michigan

Present: Patrick Scheetz, Jerry Hull, Marilyn Rothert, Louise Selanders, Etta Abraham, Ron Smith, Jacqueline Babcock, Nancy Craig, Al LeBlanc, Dave Brower, Darlene Wenner, Gale Gower

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 a.m. by President Patrick Scheetz.

Minutes of the April 8, 2015 board meeting were approved.

Treasurer’s Report: Dave Brower reported that the April financial statements will be sent out electronically to board members. There will be a meeting of the financial committee in May.

President’s Report:

Nominations for the 2015-2016 MSURA board were discussed:

President: Angela Brown

Vice President: Rick Vogt

Secretary: Gale Gower

Treasurer: David Brower

Past President: Patrick Scheetz

Members at Large 2014-2016: Jerry Hull, Louise Selanders

Members at Large 2015-2017: Nancy Craig, Mike Gardner

They will be voted on at the May Annual Luncheon.

No action has been taken yet by the University on the proposed parking fee for retirees.

The survey of MSU retirees was discussed. It was felt that the last survey was too general to get good information from retirees.

Rick Vogt will work on a retirees’ manual for new MSU retirees.

So far, there are 74 reservations for the Annual Luncheon.

Vice President’s Report:

Planning for the Big Ten Retirees Conference is progressing. Dave Brower anticipates 25 attendees plus10 spouses/others. The budget is being updated.

Etta Abraham reported that the speakers for 2015-2016 MSURA general membership meetings is progressing.

Ann Booren will head up a quilting interest group.

Human Resources Report: There was no report.

Past President’s Report: Ron Smith reported that the member for the Volunteer of the Year award has been selected.

Health Benefits Committee Report: There was no report.

Membership Committee Report: Nancy Craig reported that she is getting a good response for the June 26 Lugnuts game. There will be a table at the Annual Luncheon for signups. The deadline to order tickets is May 15.

Development Fund Report: Patrick Scheetz reported that $36,000 has been raised so far to the MSU Retirees Association scholarship.

Communications Report:

Newsletter: Al LeBlanc reported that May 16 is the deadline for the next newsletter. Al recommended that the underwriting rates not be increased for next year. Jacqueline Babcock was introduced. She will be helping with the newsletter next year.

IT Retiree Database Management: John Forsyth reported that we have 3,385 members (70%) within 30 miles of campus. Michigan has 3,991 members in all (82%), and out of state has 870 (18%) members, for a total of 4,861 members.

ENotices Operations: Trish Horn published eNotices yesterday, April 28.

Interest Group News: Discussions are continuing to have retirees attend classes for the MSU Choral Union.

Website and Facebook Operations: Anders Johanson is the person to contact for the website or facebook information.

Office Management: This is the last week of coverage for 2014-2015. Office coverage will resume in September when classes start.

United Way: There was no report.

Old News Boys Report: There was no report.

Other Items: There were no other items for discussion.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:45 a.m.