**MSU RETIREES ASSOCIATION BOARD MEETING**

**APRIL 27, 2016**

**ROOM 27 NESBIT BUILDING**

Present: Angela Brown, Al LeBlanc, Liz Thomas, Jerry Hull, Rick Vogt, Bruce Smith, Brenda Spackman, Patrick Scheetz, Cheryl Pell, Dan Mackey, Ron Smith, Marilyn Rothert, David Brower, Nancy Craig, Gale Gower

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 a.m. by President Angela Brown. The minutes from the March 16, 2016 board meeting were approved.

President’s Report:

President Angela Brown presented the slate of officers up for election for the 2016-2017 board. They are: Angela Brown, president, Rick Vogt, vice president, David Brower, treasurer, Bruce Smith and Pamela Marcis, members-at-large. A motion was made by Patrick Scheetz to accept the slate. It was seconded by Nancy Craig and approved. President Brown thanked Jerry Hull and Louise Selanders for their service on the board.

The new MSU Retirees brochure has been printed. Cheryl Pell was thanked by President Angela Brown for her work on the brochure.

The Big 10 Retirees Association conference will be held in August in Nebraska. Please let Angela know if you are interested in attending. There are usually two representatives. Angela Brown will be one of them.

Al LeBlanc reported that the new masthead for the newsletter was voted on. The number 8 choice was the winner.

Al LeBlanc made a motion to invite new designs for a new logo by the first fall board meeting, to be created by Cheryl Pell and Trish Horn. Liz Thomas seconded the motion. The motion passed. Bruce Smith suggested that something be put in the newsletter in case members have some design ideas. Dan Mackey suggested the MSU communications website be looked at for expectations of MSU logos, etc.

Service Awards Volunteers:

The MSU Service Awards program will be held on May 16, 2016. Retirees have been asked to usher and hand out programs. Dave Brower, Gale Gower, Jerry Hull, Rick Vogt and Ron Smith have volunteered.

Vice President’s Report:

President Brown thanked Etta Abrahams for her work on the committee. Rick Vogt has collected suggestions for programs for next year. Please let him know if you have ideas. A tour of the remodeled football stadium, and speakers from the Athletic Department were suggested. Also suggested were having President Simon speak, and talks on health topics. There was a good turnout for the tour of the Bott Nursing building.

 Rick Vogt and Bruce Smith will set up a meeting with the manager of the Farm Lane MSUFCU to discuss the sound system in the meeting room.

Treasurer’s Report:

David Brower reviewed the March 31, 2016 MSURA financial statement. Revenues for March totaled $865.32, including $621 for the annual luncheon. Expenditures for March totaled $154, so that for March 2016 revenues exceeded expenditures by $711.32. For the fiscal year through March 31, 2016, revenues totaled $19,018.92 and expenditures totaled $14,950.19, resulting in revenues exceeding expenditures by $4,068.53. Funding for the $2,500 special MSURA scholarship will be processed in April. After accounting for the annual meeting and other activities through June 30, 2016, MSURA will be close to breakeven for the year. Dave will put together a draft budget for FY16-17 after the May ledgers and financial statements are completed, to be refined after the June ledgers and financial statements are processed. The final budget can be approved at the August or September board meetings.

Past President’s Report:

Patrick Scheetz reported that the MSURA/Straightline golf outing will be held September 20, 2016. The committee is seeking donated items. Please let Nancy Craig or Jacqui Babcock know when you are contacting sponsors. Please send Patrick the names of those golfers who should be invited to attend.

MSURA Student Scholarship:

Amanda Pohl has been selected as the recipient of the MSU Retirees endowed scholarship, and Mallory O’Brien is the recipient of the $2,500 scholarship. They and their parents have been invited to the annual luncheon.

Communications:

Al LeBlanc announced May 16 as the deadline for information to be in the June newsletter.

There were no reports for eNotices and the database management.

Membership Committee:

Nancy Craig reported that the Lugnuts game that MSU Retirees can attend as a group is June 24. She will send an email reminder to members.

Human Resources:

Dan Mackey reported there will be early fall communications about open enrollment. Packets will still be mailed out.

Angela reminded members to renew their parking passes by the end of June.

Office Management:

Liz Thomas reported that 88 members and guests have signed up for the annual luncheon at this time.

Office coverage will end the first week in May.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:30 a.m.