

MSURA Board Retreat
August 22, 2018
Minutes

Update of Activity Over the Summer

Programs for 2018-19 Season. See the August-September newsletter for list of programs and event dates

eNotices, Trish Horn has step down as eNotice Editor. Thank you to Trish for our service and dedication. We are looking for a new eNotice editor, should you know of some one or are interested, contact Rick Vogt, 517-242-1324. Rick Vogt is the temporary eNotice editor.

MSU eMail conversion continues. Thank you to John Forsyth for being the MSURA contact person and helping make the conversion go smoothly.

MSU Retiree Parking Changes, thank you to Dave Brower for taking the lead on getting these changed and improve options for retirees.

- Reposition-able Parking Permits
- Surviving Spouses of MSU Retirees, eligible again for complementary MSU retiree parking permit.
- Calendar permission, no longer available. Replaced with Visitor Parking Passes and Reposition-able Parking Permits.

MSU Home Coming Parade, MSURA Entry? Parade Date: Friday, October 5, 2018
6PM

AARP programs will start in January. We are looking for a better way to handle RSVP to these. Thank you Bruce Smith who is exploring using a tool for this purpose. This may help us with other events where we want to get a count as to the number attendees to expect. See the August-September newsletter for list of programs and event dates.

MSU IM Sports East Survey/Programs. Working with IM Sports East on developing a survey to determine what programs to offer retirees and when best day/time to offer them.

MSURA Survey of Membership: The survey is close to final draft form and will be reviewed with the MSURA Board in the coming weeks. Expect to announce to membership in September. It will be a web based survey and announced in eNotices and October's newsletter. Thank you Bill Andersen and Roger Baldwin for your work on this.

Newsletters, Expanded the number of guest writers. Rick Vogt will stay on as newsletter editor until a replacement is found. Cheryl Pell is performing some of the editor's duties. Thank you Cheryl Pell.

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MSU Senior Campus Housing. Angie will be providing an update on this along with plans going forward.

Retreat

Explore Ideas for Social Activities and Events. In order to help recruit new volunteers and get to know our current volunteers better, we brainstormed some ideas for activities and events and determined amount of interest in each from retreat attendees. These events may at some point in the future become available to all MSU retirees, but for now we will limit them to current volunteers and possible volunteer recruits. By keeping it small, it will provide opportunity to try a number of ideas without over whelming our resources. Potentially scaling it up based upon resources available and interest in doing so. A key part of this is for MSURA volunteers to get to know each other and allow potential volunteers to get to know us too.

A brainstorming session was conduct. The following ideas resulted from it. We took a poll for each to determine interest. The top 5 ideas are highlighted below.

Lugnuts Baseball Game - 11

Volunteer Appreciation Event -

Bi-Monthly Luncheon at Brody or other venue -13

Burgdorf Wine Tasting -9

Wine Bus Tour(s) - 6

Gilmore Car Museum - 9

Meijer Gardens - 10

Purple Rose Theater, Chelsea, Wednesday Matinees - 13

Other Theaters - Local & Dinner - 11

Away MSU Football Game / Bus - 4

Tours - Iconic Bldgs in Detroit - 15

Detroit Institute of Arts - 12

We will pick up on this discussion at the September board meeting. Look to assign the top 5 for further exploration and reporting back to the board at our October board meeting on details and cost.