

MSU RETIREES ASSOCIATION BOARD MINUTES

APRIL 3, 2019

125 NISBET BUILDING

ATTENDING: Pam Marcis, Liz Thomas, Ron Smith, John Forsyth, Dan Mackey, Mike Gardner, Bruce Smith, Dave Brower, Angela Brown, William Anderson, Rick Vogt

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 am by President Rick Vogt.

PRESENTATION: MSU HR, Renee Rivard, Dan Mackey, Cherie Booms, and Patrick Nicolson from CVS presented information on a change to the Prescription Insurance Coverage. Medicare eligible recipients will be switched to The Employee Group Waiver Plan (EGWP) starting January 1, 2020. Part D Medicare will be primary for prescription coverage and CVS -MSU will be secondary. Information will be available on the web, at HR fairs and distributed to all affected. Any additional questions from the Board should be emailed to Dan Mackey.

MINUTES: Angela Brown moved to approve the March 2019 minutes. Mike Gardner seconded. Motion was approved.

OFFICE COVERAGE: LIZ THOMAS

Office coverage is going well. There are still some open dates. Received approval for room reservations for Board meetings for 2019-2020 at Nisbet. Also booked space at the Farm Lane Credit Union Community Center for monthly meetings except for December 2019. Will have to find an alternate location.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT: RICK VOGT

- Straightline will sponsor the MSURA Annual meeting for \$2,000. Dave will follow up with Straightline.
- Must continue to recruit volunteers for the association.
- Nominations for Volunteer of the Year should be sent to Jackie Babcock as soon as possible.
- Rick will distribute proposed changes to By-Laws with regard to Board meetings. Changes are to be approved at the annual meeting.
- Travel insurance coverage for international travel is not available for retirees through the University. However, the MSU Risk Management office may research discounted rates for retirees.

Dan Mackey shared that BCBS has a service for health care insurance coverage when traveling. Contact BCBS through the Solutions Center.

- The MSURA 2019-20 events list was shared. Changes to be made as necessary.
- The Big Ten Retirees conference will be held at University of Illinois in August. Interested attendees are Roger Baldwin, William Anderson and Bruce Smith.

VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT: RICK VOGT FOR ROGER BALDWIN

- April's Program speaker will be Melanie Helton, Professor of Voice and director of the MSU Opera Theatre.
- MSU President Satish Udpa will be the guest speaker at the annual MSURA luncheon.
- Paying speakers a stipend guidelines will be discussed at the May meeting.
- Roger Baldwin is working on the MSURA welcome letter to the new MSU President.
- Roger Baldwin and Bill Anderson will present a PowerPoint on the MSURA Survey results.
- A Volunteer Fair Event is in the discussion phase. Those interested in volunteering for non-profits could attend the fair and connect with the organizations.

PAST PRESIDENT'S REPORT: ANGELA BROWN:

- The MSURA Scholarship applications have been reviewed and potential recipients selected. Must share with the committee before final decision is made.
- No further information on the MSU Senior Housing Project.
- Open Board Positions for 2019-2021 are: Slate at present
 - President - Roger Baldwin
 - Vice President - Open (Rick will serve if necessary)
 - Secretary - Jacqueline Babcock
 - Treasurer - Dave Brower
 - At-Large - Bill Anderson
 - At-Large - Mike Gardner

TREASURER'S REPORT: DAVE BROWER

- Financially the organization is doing fine.
- Approximately \$107,000 in the endowment fund
- See financial report
- 44 people have signed up for the luncheon

ANNUAL MEETING: PAM MARCIS

All is set. The Knitters Group requested a table. There will be minimal door prizes to reduce the length of the luncheon.

BUS TRIP TO KELLOGG MANOR & GILMORE: PAM MARCIS

The bus is full. Those on the waiting list have been accommodated. Will research future bus trips, possibly to Detroit area.

LUG NUTS ANNUAL MSURA OUTING

Forms are on the website. Nancy Craig will take the lead again this year.

The next newsletter is June/ July. Thank you to Bruce for taking pictures at the monthly meetings.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:44 am

Respectfully submitted by Angela Brown