WMU Emeriti Council
Minutes
Tuesday, November 12, 2013, 2 p.m.
Heinig Emeriti Lounge, Walwood Hall


1. Welcome, approval of Agenda, approval of Minutes of September 10, 2013
   a. Updates on Medallion Scholarship and Book Scholarship funds
   b. Andy recommends developing a “Declaration of Intent” for Book Scholarship fund; he’ll work on it. Intend to invite someone from Development for March meeting.
3. Newsletter update, Fall, 2013—Larry Schlack
   a. Written and edited by Larry, Judy, Nancy Dyksterhouse, and others.
   b. Folding party; Wed, Nov 13, 9 a.m. Ready to mail.
4. Wednesday II—Gus Gianakaris, Bruce Haight, John Houdek, Pat Lemanski, Hal Ray
   i. Nov 13, Teresa Crumpton, “Hearing Aids are in the Drawer.”
   ii. Jan 8, Tim Light, “Communities in Schools in Kalamazoo.”
   iii. Feb 12, Jim Bosco, “American Education in the Third Era.”
   v. Apr 9, Larry Schlack, “Campus School & Progressive Education.”
   vi. May 14, Sharon Carlson, field trip at Zhang Legacy Collections Center, Oakland Drive, “Regional Treasures.”
5. Dec 11, Annual Wine Tasting, 5 p.m.
   a. Arboretum Clubhouse—D. Terry Williams, through Greg Dobson.
   b. Order wine glasses through WMU; Council provides snacks & wine.
6. Appointed Garrard Macleod to fill Emeriti Council vacancy [he accepted]. He will be eligible for nomination for a regular two-year term in April, 2014.
7. Academy of Lifelong Learning (ALL)
   a. Winter/Spring catalog to be mailed Dec 26, with 27 courses, plus trips.
   b. ALL January Thaw, Wed Jan 8, 9:30-11:30 a.m. at KIA Auditorium.
8. Medallion Scholars
   a. Alyssa Murray, Garrett Gagnon, and Ana Morales
   b. Medallion Scholars Induction ceremony, Nov 8, attended by Sandra Edwards, Larry Schlack, and Judy Halseth
9. Website—David Peterson
11. Faculty Retirement Recognition Dinner, May 2014
12. Faculty Senate—no update re involvement by Emeriti Council

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2. The agenda was approved.

3. Minutes of July 9, 2013 were approved

4. Reports and Updates
   a. Financial status of Emeriti Council—Larry Schlack
      i. Larry reported on the financial structure, after he met with Nancy Dyksterhouse. President Dunn has made up the deficit, and authorized funding through 2015-16, after which we should become self sustaining. Details on “Financial Structure,” Sept 10, 2013.
      ii. Larry stressed the need for an Emeriti Council treasurer, and he agreed to take that position.
   b. Fundraising—Andy Brogowicz, Emily Hoffman, John Houdek
      i. Andy gave an update on results of summer fundraising letter for Book Scholarships, from Linda Hunt, with more reports to follow.
      ii. Future plans could include handwritten thank you notes to donors, and an article in the newsletter.
      iii. Suggestion to check old treasurer’s reports from Phil Caruso.
      iv. Under Medallion Scholars, discussed soliciting funds for this fund.
   c. Wednesday IIs—Gus Gianakaris, Rich Cooper, Bruce Haight, John Houdek, Pat Lemanski
      i. Review of BreakFest and Dr. Hal Jenson.
      ii. Sept 11, Stan Robin, monologues; Oct 9, Helanan Robin, travel in Turkey; Nov 13, Theresa Crumpton, “Hearing aids are in drawer”
      iii. Dec 11, Annual Wine Tasting, 5 p.m.
         2. Dean Bender, one of the Lawton Winery owners, will pour the wine. Wine will be paid for by several Emeriti Council members (current and past) offering to purchase cases.
         3. E. C. members will provide snacks and hor d’oeuvres.
         4. [D. Terry Williams informed us later that we need to rent wine glasses from WMU Catering.]
   d. Newsletter—Larry Schlack
      i. Extended discussion on future of newsletter. Plans include mailing the fall issue, the last paper issue, and announcing that the following issue will be electronically transmitted to most emeriti.
ii. Options for saving money on the fall mailing are being investigated. (Zip code order, etc.)

iii. Articles are due to Larry by October 10.
iv. Larry will work with Ken Dickie, past editor.

e. Academy of Lifelong Learning (ALL)
   i. Brief review and update on courses.
   ii. Judy Halseth is new Chair of Curriculum Committee.

f. Medallion Scholars—Sandra Edwards (in absentia)
   i. Alyssa Murray, Garrett Gagnon, and freshman Ana Morales.
   ii. Larry hosting a luncheon September 13.
   iii. Andy presented a chart with names and financial record of past and present recipients. Renee M. Pearl, Fundraising in the Development office, is the contact person.

g. Website—David Peterson
   i. www.wmich.edu/emeriti
   ii. Discussion on fundraising links on the website and www.mywmu.com/emeriti to facilitate donating to the Book Scholarship fund and Medallion Scholars.
   iii. David will post fall Wednesday II programs on the website.

h. Nominating and Election Committee—Hal Ray
   i. Hal has contacted many emeriti and confirmed three nominees for the spring ballot.
   ii. Two E. C. members will reach term limits. Four E. C. members in the second year of their first term will notify Hal in October about their plans of whether to continue a second term.

i. Faculty Senate request from Bill Rantz—Andy Brogowicz
   i. F. S. proposed that three Emeriti Council members or other emeriti be elected by us to join F. S. Andy recommended approval, and he noted that President Dunn favors emeriti serving on Faculty Senate. Emeriti bring institutional memory to strategic planning.
   ii. E. C. voted to approve. Andy will communicate with Bill Rantz.

5. Adjournment.
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2. Welcome newly-elected Council members
   a. Rich Cooper, Sandra Edwards, Bruce Haight. Welcomed on 5/7: Andy Brogowicz, Pat Lemanski, Larry Schlack
3. The agenda was approved.
4. Corrections and approval of Minutes of May 7, 2013
5. Reports and Updates
   a. President’s office connection: Nancy Dyksterhouse replaces Shannon Landis. nancy.dyksterhouse@wmich.edu 387-2351.
   b. Fundraising—Andy Brogowicz, Emily Hoffman, John Houdek
      i. Emeriti landing page on MyWMU.com by Development
      ii. Book Scholarship letter and Break-Fest flyer to be mailed by Development (no folding party preceding this meeting!)
      iii. Consider solicitation for Medallion Scholar fund.
      iv. Send another invitation to Jim Thomas, VP Development and Alumni Relations for Sept 11 or Nov 12 Emeriti Council.
      v. Develop a form to include with newsletter—work with Suzanne BealsDauchy in Development.
   c. Wednesday IIs—Gus Gianakaris, John Houdek, Rich Cooper, Bruce Haight
      i. August 14, BreakFest, 8:30, Fetzer Center. With speaker Dr. Hal Jenson of the WMU Medical School.
      ii. Sept 11, Stan Robin, monologues; Oct 9, Helanan Robin, travel in Turkey; Nov 13, Theresa Crumpton, “Hearing aids are in drawer”
      iii. Dec 11, Annual Wine Tasting, 5 p.m.
         1. Arboretum Clubhouse—arranged by D. Terry Williams through Greg Dobson.
         2. Wine supplier? Contact Bob Beam re Lawton Winery?
   d. Newsletter—Larry Schlack
   e. Lifelong Learning Academy
      i. Open House, Thurs Aug 22, 4-6 p.m. Miller Auditorium lobby. Emeriti Council specifically invited. Note change of place.
   f. Medallion Scholars—Judy Halseth
      i. Alyssa Murray, Garrett Gagnon, and freshman Ana Morales.
      ii. Sandra Edwards will be the contact person, to arrange a lunch with the 3 scholars and several emeriti.
   g. Website—David Peterson
   h. Nominating and Election Committee—Hal Ray.
i. Need between two and six nominees for spring ballot. Terms are 2 years and people may have at most 2 consecutive terms.

i. Faculty Senate request from Bill Rantz
   i. Faculty Senate proposes that three Emeriti Council members be elected by us to join Faculty Senate. They believe emeriti experience would be helpful. We discussed having emeriti who are not on the council be representatives to the Faculty Senate. Andy Brogowicz will learn more about the Faculty Senate and report back to us.

j. Faculty Retirement Recognition Dinner—think ahead to May 2014

k. Other committee reports, updates, new business?

l. New business: Sandra Edwards suggested part-time council membership where 2 people share one position, allowing for snow-birds to participate on the council.


Emily Hoffman, Secretary with editing by Judy Halseth
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3. Guest: Faculty Senate President Bill Rantz. The Faculty Senate proposes that three Emeriti Council members be elected (by the Emeriti Council) as Senators, to join the Faculty Senate and possibly serve on their councils. Emeriti have experience, which the Faculty Senate believes would be helpful to them. No decision was made during Bill Rantz’s visit.

4. Judith welcomed three of the six newly-elected Council members: Andy Brogowicz, Pat Lemanski, and Larry Schlack. At a future meeting they will be joined by newly-elected Rich Cooper, Sandra Edwards, and Bruce Haight.

5. The agenda was approved, with additions of discussion of the East campus and the Faculty Senate.

6. The minutes of March 12, 2013 were approved.

7. Reports and Updates
   a. Wednesday IIs—Linda Law, Ruth Ann Meyer, Gus Gianakaris, John Houdek
      i. Details for May 8 field trip to Wolf Lake Fish Hatchery—We will have social time and a tour of the facility.
      ii. Sept 11, Stan Robin, monologues; Oct 9, Helanan Robin, travel in Turkey; Nov 13, Theresa Crumpton, “Hearing aids are in the drawer”; Dec 11, Annual Wine Tasting.
      iii. August 14, BreakFest, 8:30 a.m. Gus gave an update.
      Dr. Hal Jenson, founding dean of the new WMU School of Medicine, will speak.
      iv. New program committee members for 2013-2014: Rich Cooper and Bruce Haight
   b. Newsletter—We thanked Ken Dickie for his work on the newsletter, which will be assembled next week.
      i. The new editor for 2013-2014 will be Larry Schlack.
   c. Faculty Retirement Recognition Dinner, Wednesday, May 29
      i. Emcee will be Garrard Macleod; welcomer will be David Isaacs; responder will be Barbara Havira.
   d. Lifelong Learning Academy
      i. Advisory Board: Bob Beam, secretary, Judy Halseth, newly elected to AB. Also active are Hal Ray, Ron
Crowell, and D. Terry Williams. The open house is Thursday August 22 at 4 pm and the Emeriti Council is specifically invited. It will be held at the Gilmore House. If it rains, it will move to the College of Health and Human Services.

e. Medallion Scholars—Larry Oppliger
   i. One of our 3 scholars, Josh Kallen, graduated 4/27/13; Alyssa Murray and Garrett Gagnon are our continuing scholars. We have funds for 2 students but would like to fund 3 students. The Medallion scholarship pays $12,500, which is not enough for the actual cost of $18,000 per year. We would like all Medallion scholarships to be $18,000 per student. All the Medallion scholarships are the same amount, currently $12,500. We will be asking emeriti to donate to the Medallion scholarship as well as to the textbook scholarship. The letter soliciting donations goes out in the summer.
   ii. After the meeting, Judith volunteered to meet with the Medallion scholars.

f. Website: David Peterson will manage the web site.

g. Nominating and Election Committee—Bill McCarty and Bob Beam.
   i. Hal Ray is the new chair.

h. Fundraising for Book Scholarships and Medallion Scholars
   i. We intend to invite Jim Thomas, VP Development and Alumni Relations to discuss fundraising by the Emeriti Council.
   ii. The new Fundraising Committee includes Andy Brogowicz, Emily Hoffman, and John Houdek

i. Officers for 2013-2014
   i. Chair Judith was re-elected as chair; Hal Ray was elected as vice chair, Emily was re-elected as secretary.

j. East campus discussion.
k. Faculty senate discussion. The Emeriti council will discuss again in July.

8. A special thank you to Bob Beam, Ken Dickie, Linda Law, Bill McCarty, Ruth Ann Meyer, and Larry Oppliger whose terms expire. We are grateful to them for giving time, energy, and leadership to Emeriti Council projects.

Next Meetings on Tuesdays, 2 p.m., Heinig Emeriti Lounge, Walwood Hall: July 9, September 11, November 12, January 14, 2014, March 11, May 13
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Absent: William McCarty, John Houdek.
The meeting was called to order at 2 pm

1. Approval of Agenda
2. Corrections and approval of Minutes of January 8, 2013
3. Reports and Updates
   a. Wednesday IIs— Linda Law, Ruth Ann Meyer, Gus Gianakaris, John Houdek
      1. Set-up for March 13, Sr. Ginny Jones on Envisioning an Eco Village in SW Michigan
      2. Apr 10 Bob Miller, Future of East Campus; May 8, field trip to Wolf Lake Fish Hatchery
      3. Programs for Fall, 2013 and Winter, 2014 were discussed. The fall programs are Stanley Robin, Helenan Robin, Teresa Crumpton, and a wine tasting. The spring 2014 programs are being planned. For February 12, Jim Bosco will speak. We will visit the Gilmore Car Museum on May 14.
   b. Nominating and Election Committee—Bill McCarty and Bob Beam.
      2. Judy is working with Shannon Landis on mailing the ballots, to be returned on or before April 19 to Shannon. Ballots will be sent out April 1 or earlier. Our next meeting will be in the Commons room.
   c. Life Long Learning Academy
      1. Changes in leadership and board. It had been faculty and a few town people. Now townspeople and the AAUP are active in LLA. They have earned about $30,000 in 2 years. The Emeriti Council president is automatically on the board of the LLA. They have 400 paid members.
      2. Update on activities—Bob and Judy
d. Newsletter—Ken Dickie. Information is needed by April 1. The next newsletter will be sent out May 1. Photos will only be included if the print quality is good. Pictures will be put on-line in color. There will be tear off forms with suggested amounts the emeriti could send in for the book fund, the Medallion scholarship, and for information on estate planning.

e. Faculty Retirement Recognition Dinner, Wednesday, May 29.
   1. Emcee, welcomer, responder--new emeriti. Updates from Bob and Gus
   2. Gerard Macleod will be the emcee. David Isaacson may be asked to be the welcome, again this year. We will choose a responder when we know the names of the retirees.

f. BreakFest, Wednesday, August 14, Fetzer Center.
   1. Speaker, arrangements. Dean Hal Jenson from the School of Medicine will speak.

g. Graduate Mentor Award for Faculty
   1. Proposed by Susan Stapleton, Dean of Graduate College
   2. We decided we could not fund such an award, that it was not a high priority for us, and that Dr. Stapleton should come up with the criteria for the award, if we are to pursue this. Bob will follow up with the Dean.

h. Gift to Emeriti Council from President and Mrs. Dunn

i. Medallion Scholarships—Larry Oppliger. The scholars were contacted concerning a meeting with them. We need to discuss how many scholars we should fund and at what level.

j. Book Scholarships -- There will be a July letter asking for donations.

k. WARF is sponsoring a talk on navigating the health care system on April 19. The change in the policy on surviving spouses use of West Hills was discussed.

l. Fundraising—We intend to invite Jim Thomas, VP Development and Alumni Relations, to discuss fundraising by the Emeriti Council. Probably Sept. 10 or Nov. 12.

4. Adjournment

Next Meetings: Tuesday, May 7, 2 p.m. (Note: the May meeting is the first Tuesday, because Wednesday II meets May 8, and it meets in the Walwood Commons.) Tuesday, July 10. Submitted by Emily Hoffman, Secretary with editing by Judith Halseth
Excused absence: Linda Law.
The meeting was called to order at 2 p.m.
1. The agenda was approved.
2. The minutes of November 13, 2012 were accepted.
3. Newsletter report by Ken Dickie The photo quality of the last newsletter was not good. Emeriti need to vote on the next set of candidates. Need results of election of 6 new people so that new officers can attend the May meeting, and put results in the May newsletter. Ken wants Wednesday IIs and the BreakFest in the May newsletter. We need a new editor, but Ken is willing to do the publishing. The web site has the newsletter in color.
4. Bill McCarty reported on the nominating and election committee. We have 4 nominees so far: Andrew Brogowicz, Richard Cooper, Sandra Edwards, and Bruce Haight. We want someone from WARF. We need 6 new people to replace Beam, Dickie, Law, McCarty, Meyer, and Oppliger whose terms are ending.
5. Wednesday IIs— Linda Law, Ruth Ann Meyer, Gus Gianakaris
   For January 9 (tomorrow) Wednesday II the speaker is Mark Daniel from West Hills.
   February 13 is Tom Bailey on Teddy Roosevelt and the Panama Canal.
   Mar 13 is Sr. Ginny Jones on Envisioning an Eco village in SW Michigan
   April 10 is Bob Miller on the future of the East campus.
   May 8 is a field trip to Wolf Lake Fish Hatchery
   John Houdek will become a committee member.
   We discussed ideas for Fall 2013.
6. Judy announced that Life Long Learning will have an event on Thursday, Jan 10, 9:30 a.m. January Thaw, Semester Warm-Up and Book Swap, 4010 CHHS. (387-4157; $5 at door)
7. The Faculty Retirement Recognition Dinner will be Wednesday, May 29. We need to choose an Emcee, a welcomer to new emeriti, and a responder from new emeriti. Suggestions included Garrard Macleod for emcee and Lyda Stillwell for welcomer. Judy will run this by Suzanne Davenport; if approved, Gus will contact Gerrard, and Bob will
contact Lyda. After the full list of new emeriti for the 2013 event is available, we will choose a responder.

8. BreakFest will be Wednesday August 14. Speakers were discussed.

9. Medallion Scholarships—Larry Oppliger said the $12,500 scholarship seems inadequate. It was increased from $10,000 2 years ago. If we had 2 students rather than 3, the money would last indefinitely. The stipend no longer covers everything and the description should represent it as it actually is. Larry spoke to Nick Andreadis about the amount in the medallion scholarship. Bob Beam and Larry Oppliger think we should ask for donations to the medallion scholarship annually. We will ask Jim Thomas (VP for Development) to help us with a fund raising program. We want to fund both the book scholarship and the medallion scholarship.

For the Book Scholarships we raised $11,200 and were able to give $400 to 28 students.

10. We adjourned at 3 p.m.

The next meetings are Tuesdays, March 12 and May 7, 2013, 2 p.m.

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Submitted by Emily Hoffman, Secretary