

Ohio University Emeriti Association Board meeting

May 15, 2024 Minutes

Attendance: Alan Boyd, Anne Braxton, Robert Colvin, Leslie Flemming, Thomas Franz, Scott Malcom, Drew McDaniel, Richard Post, Rosemary Rossiter, David Thomas, Martin Tuck, Michael Williford

Meeting was called to order at 3:05pm on Zoom.

Treasurer's Report was presented by Leslie Flemming which was previously distributed. The main question concerned a \$4,700 charge to the foundation account which was not identified specifically. Consensus seemed to be it was for the tree project that had been budgeted at \$5,000. Further investigation will be undertaken. There was discussion of how to handle donations to the foundation account and which account should be identified to donors. Seemed to be agreement to allow the general foundation account contributions only and the Board could move into a separate foundation account for Emeriti Park as needed. Martin Tuck moved to accept the report, seconded by David Thomas. Was approved by unanimous vote.

Scott Malcom moved to shift the luncheon venue to The Ohio University Inn beginning next fall. David Thomas seconded. The discussion concerned menu choices that included three options: salad and soup, salad and baked potato and a plated meal with a selection of entrées and side dishes. Price would be \$25 per person including tax and gratuity. There was no information on the minimum attendance required. Vote was 11 Yes, 1 No. The motion was approved.

Discussion of dates/months for next year's luncheons was wide-ranging with a variety of options considered. Moved by Rosemary Rossiter (seconded by Scott Malcom) that the number of luncheons be reduced from nine to six with ones to be held in September, October, December, February, March, and April. Some luncheons could be social in nature with no program planned. Noted that next year luncheons will be held on the second Thursday in September and December. The program in September will include the new Provost, Donald J. Leo, as speaker. Motion carried unanimously.

Further discussion concerned offering a free lunch for the first meeting of the year in September to all Emeriti as a means of increasing attendance. Moved by Leslie Flemming to offer attending admission without charge. Seconded by Scott Malcom. Motion passed unanimously.

Martin Tuck described the Emeriti Park Kiosk as "not functional." Options discussed to replace the kiosk included new signage placed over the kiosk screen with a QR code linking to content on the Emeriti Webpage as well as the substitution by a bronze-type plaque. Some discussion of content possibilities including the incorporation of recognition of Chuck Carlson who was instrumental in the creation of Emeriti Park. No motion was offered, and the possibilities will be researched further.

In closing, Martin Tuck asked for clarity regarding the process by which the Emeriti Directory was updated each year and the annual letter to all Emeriti was produced and mailed. Rosemary Rossiter provided clarity regarding this process.

Meeting adjourned at 4:05pm