

SEA

James Madison University Staff Emeriti Association

Minutes – February 24, 2016

(10:00am - Wine Price Building, Conference Room 3030)

Attendees: Tina Updike, Gail May, Lisa Hajdasz, Nancy Dove, Mary Ann Chatelain, Norma Burkholder

- Welcome new members: Mary Ann Chatelain, Norma Burkholder
 - Tina made introductions of new members and reviewed the roles of the current participants.
- Approval of Minutes from December 2, 2015 meeting:
 - Minutes from the meeting on December 2, 2015 were unanimously approved. These will be posted to the SEA website.
- Moving Forward (Diane and Tina): Administrative feedback re. SEA 2015 Year End Report; comments and questions (budget initiative FY2017?); communication to membership; any new members?
 - Tina had sent out a copy of the year-end report to all committee members.
 - Lisa shared Diane's feedback from the budget initiative process. Permanent funding for the SEA has been declined at this time. A discussion was had on the possibility of implementing dues for SEA members as a way to show their commitment to the organization.
 - Lisa will run a report to identify new members of SEA and report the findings to the committee.
 - Lisa will also touch base with Diane to clarify Human Resources' FY17 support for the committee.
- Planning Staff Emeriti events in spring and summer (all members): ideas, dates and times; day trip?; joint event with FEA? (successful Holiday Gala)
 - Tina pointed out the goals, listed at the bottom of the agenda, which had been shaped for the coming year.
 - An event invitation would be a great reason to send an email with some of the updates, information from last year, etc.
 - Some event ideas were brainstormed by the committee:

- May wine and cheese at the arboretum, home and garden show in Harrisonburg, Forbes Center concerts, bus trip in the summer? Monticello, Shakespeare Center in Staunton.
 - Lisa to reach out to Monticello to see if Staff Emeriti event possible
 - Mary Ann will look into recitals in the Forbes Center

- Volunteer activity (Tina and Kathy): JMU service opportunities update: Choices 4/8 and 4/11, Big Event?, Fall Open Houses (Michael Walsh)
 - Giving Day information March 15th
 - Food Bank
 - Choices - April 8th and 11th? Tina, will look into Choices; Lisa will forward contact information to Tina.
 - Fall Open Houses (Michael Walsh)
 - Further discussion was tabled until Kathy can participate in the next meeting

- Update on website (Diane and Lisa): reorganization of our SEA website (post staff emeriti benefits); post event pictures and Year End report; “Do Form”?; “Welcome Message” by President Alger
 - Kathy was going to get with President Alger to write a welcome letter
 - Tina and Lisa will meet to create a framework for the site.
 - Do form is complete and ready to be used.

- How to reach all members: strategies for communication; work with student volunteer to create logo/branding; SEA brochure/mailer; brick pavers?
 - Discussion tabled until next meeting

- Next Meeting:
 - Wednesday, March 23rd at 10:00am in the Wine Price Conference Room 3030.