

James Madison University Staff Emeriti Association

Minutes – August 16, 2022 (10:00 am, Wine Price Building, Conf. Rm 3030)

Attendees: Tina Updike, Rosemary Brenner, Norma Burkholder, Alma Hale-Cooper, Louise White, and Milla Sue Wisecarver.

Approval of Minutes from June 14, 2022 meeting.

Minutes from the meeting on June 14, 2022 were unanimously approved. These will be posted to the SEA website.

Staff Emeriti membership:

- Member Update: 8 new members since last meeting.
- Athletics ticketing: Kathy Sarver contacted Brad Burgess in Athletics ticketing regarding staff emeriti who no longer use their JMU email. Milla Sue will send information to Brad in an Excel spreadsheet and will cc Kathy and Tina.

Increase awareness:

- Tina continues to send updates (Agenda, Minutes, and Events) to HR's Amanda Thomas for posting on the SEA website. A link to the new parking policy (no longer using hang tags) on the SEA website is awaiting update of the policy online.
- The bulk mailing reminding supervisors of staff emeriti recognition is normally sent twice a year (May and November). The latest reminder email was delayed because HR was streamlining the policy, which now is: "Upon receiving approval of staff emeriti status from the President's Office, Payroll will process the information." (Formerly the approval letter required another form to be completed by the supervisor.) Tina approved the revised letter, and it was sent in early August using the Staff Emeriti email address instead of HR's email. A supervisor reported that there were problems with links

not working in the email. Tina requested that the letter be re-sent with working links and from HR not Staff Emeriti.

(**Update**: Amanda Thomas in HR, checked the links and all were working in the letter, so it did not have to be re-sent. In the future, the letter will go out from HR's email address.)

Volunteer activity:

• No new volunteer activity has been scheduled. We are still waiting to hear if HR will hold their second annual Retirement Fair this fall 2022.

Membership development:

- July lunch at Cracked Pillar, 14 members and 4 guests, 4 cancellations, 9 couldn't make it.
- August 9 at Jennings Hall, 12 members and 2 guests on tour; 13 members and 2 guests at lunch at Island Wing Co., 12 couldn't make it. Some newly retired people are attending events. Future invitations should be clear on whether the luncheon venue is indoors or outdoors.
- Plans for Sept.-Dec.: a new suggestion is that we go to a senior noon movie at Regal Cinema.
- September: Luncheon: Monday, Sept. 12, 11:30a.m. Romano's Italian restaurant on Rt.33 East first choice, Vito's Pizza Pie second choice. Louise will call. Proposed timeline for invitations: 1st invitation Aug 29, Reminder Sept. 5, RSVP due Sept 8.
- October: Tour of College of Business building during fall break, Friday, Oct. 14 (first choice) or Thursday, Oct. 13, followed by lunch at O'Neill's at 11:30 or 11:45a.m. Norma Burkholder will contact Kathy Sarver about who to lead the tour, how long the tour will take, how many can be accommodated on a tour. Proposed timeline for invitations: 1st invitation Sept. 28, Reminder Oct. 5, RSVP due Oct 12.
- November: Luncheon at Taste of Thai, possibly Tuesday, Nov. 15, Alma will call to reserve the private room for 11:30 a.m. Invitation would need to go out week of Oct 24.
- Football Game Watch Party at O'Neill's: Kathy suggested scheduling this for an away game. Milla Sue will check on dates and follow-up with O'Neill's on their policies for watch parties.
- Next Meeting: Tuesday, October 11, 10:30 a.m. Wine Price conf. rm 3030.