

James Madison University Staff Emeriti Association

Minutes – Dec. 6, 2022 (10:30 am, Wine Price Building, Conf. Rm 3030)

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

Approval of Minutes

Minutes from the meeting on Oct. 11, 2022 were unanimously approved. These will be posted to the SEA website.

Staff Emeriti membership:

- Member Update: 30 new members in 2022.
- Supervisor Letter (with information on the staff emeriti designation process): Will be sent in January or February.
- Madison Magazine: Latest issue has not yet been published.

Volunteer activity:

- Food Pantry/Clothes Closet: JMU operates a food pantry (under the supervision of Jeremy Hawkins) that includes food, personal hygiene items, cleaning supplies); there are numerous JMU students who are food insecure. There is also a career clothes closet for students going on interviews who don't have appropriate clothing. The committee voted for the SEA to "adopt" the food pantry and will solicit donations (items or monetary contributions) from the SEA membership throughout the year. A tour of the newly revamped Warren and Taylor halls, including the food pantry, will be scheduled in January, followed by lunch on campus or a nearby restaurant.
- Athletics Ticketing: An alternative system has been created for staff emeriti who no longer have access to JMU email, so that they may order

complementary tickets for football and basketball Faculty-Staff Appreciation Days. Four SEA members used this system to order tickets for the Nov. 19 football game.

Membership development:

- Oct. 14 Tour of College of Business complex and luncheon at O'Neill's: Tour was attended by 15 members, five guests and one administrator. Lunch was attended by 13 members and three guests. There was one cancellation and seven who sent regrets they could not attend.
- Nov. 15 Tour of art exhibit and luncheon at Taste of Thai. Tour was attended by 13 members, four guests and one administrator. Lunch was attended by 18 members, five guests and one administrator. There were 14 who sent regrets they could not attend.
- Dec. 13 Holiday luncheon at Cross Keys Vineyard has RSVPs for 32 members, eight guests and one admin, with several days remaining before the Dec. 9 deadline. Gail will be in touch with Cross Keys prior to the event. Gail, Milla Sue, and Tina will arrive early. Gail and Tina will provide party favors.
- Jan. 9 or 13, possible tour of Warren and Taylor Halls including food pantry. and lunch following the tour at a site TBA. Makeup date in case of inclement weather will be during spring break week, March 13-16.

Next Meeting: Tuesday, Jan. 17, 10:30 a.m., with inclement weather date of Jan. 31