



James Madison University Staff Emeriti Association

Minutes – May 21, 2024 (10:30 am, Wine Price conference room 3030)

Attendees: Tina Updike, Donna Burch, Alma Hale-Cooper, Gail May, Judy Powell, Kathy Sarver, Louise White, and Milla Sue Wisecarver.

Approval of Minutes: Minutes from the meeting on March 5, 2024 were unanimously approved. These will be posted to the SEA website.

Business:

- **Member Update:** 10 total new members for the year and four since the last Steering Committee meeting in March 2024. Active member total is 313.
- **Increase awareness:** Updates to website continue to be sent to Amanda Thomas in HR.
- **Steering Committee Structure:** A member's term is two years and members may serve more than one term. Tina and Milla Sue have agreed to serve two more years. Rosemary Brenner and Gail are resigning, effective immediately, after several terms of service; Judy Powell and Louise will serve through 2024-25. Two new members are needed to begin serving in fall 2024 and three more are needed to begin in fall 2025.

Milla Sue currently handles a number of tasks and we are looking for someone to take over: taking minutes at committee meetings; handling The Pantry donations at events; and sending email invitations to events. Milla Sue will continue to update the database, with Tina's assistance. Tina and Milla Sue are preparing documentation on how various Steering Committee tasks are handled.

Areas that the Steering Committee handles: Recognition (congratulations, sympathy and get well cards) Gail May volunteered to handle these duties; Philanthropy/Volunteerism (ex., The Pantry, other volunteer events); Secretarial (meeting minutes, email communications); Administrative

(liaison with Human Resources and JMU administrators, Madison Magazine copy, chair meetings, etc.)

- **Membership development:** Mar. 12 Bridgeforth Stadium tour and lunch at El Charro, 32 total (22 members, 1 retiree, 9 guests), including 24 total for tour and 31 total for lunch. April 30 Dynamic Aviation: 43 total (27 members, 15 guests, 1 retiree).
- State of the University luncheon on June 6: To date, 29 members, 6 guests have RSVP'd. Gail, Donna, Judy Powell will come early to assist with table setup and greeting guests.
- **Plans for fall:** Luncheon at Cracked Pillar Sept. 12, 18 or 19; Donna will contact the restaurant.

Next Meeting: Tuesday, Aug. 20, 11:30 am at O'Neill's Grill.