

**Ohio University Emeriti Board Meeting, October 22, 2020  
(Conducted on Zoom)**

**Present:** Rossiter, Moody, Reilly, Flemming, Malcom, Dean, Howell, Braxton, Post, Franz, Underhill.

**Old Business:**

The general meeting of October 15 was discussed. It was agreed that for the most part the meeting went well, with only a few technical glitches. Most prominent of these was the attempted return from the breakout rooms toward the end of the meeting, with an abrupt cessation of the meeting occurring for most participants. Aside from this, the presentation by the students regarding their experience with the Emeriti-funded Undergraduate Student Research Travel Grant program was entertaining and welcome.

Other old business concerned the welcome letter, which because of other business in the mailing process was not sent. It was agreed that we would try a second letter with the survey form included (as the first letter was intended to carry).

**Upcoming meetings:** On Nov. 19<sup>th</sup>, the speaker will be Dr. Darlene Berryman, who is Associate Dean for Research in the Heritage College of Osteopathic Medicine. On December 17, the program will be presented by the Ohio Brass, a faculty/graduate student quintet, who will give a virtual performance of holiday music.

**Emeriti Park:** Once again, the kiosk is a major problem. It has not worked in months. Part of the difficulty seems to lie in communications, with no one university entity stepping forward to perform maintenance or oversight. Currently, the liaison with the Provost's Office is Howard DeWald, who has brought us up to date on the Memorandum of Understanding which outlined the operations and oversight of the kiosk. In discussion, part of our time was spent in determining, first, the membership of the Park Committee: Richard Dean (chair), John Kotowski, Max Evans, Alan Boyd, and Jean Drevenstedt. They have met frequently, but have had some issues dealing between the company, Visex, the OU Foundation (finance), and contacts in various OU offices (maintenance, software upkeep, and operations). We have allotted approximately \$1800 per year in our budget. Park maintenance overall should be encouraged to draw some of that for maintenance and upkeep (for example, removing moss from the teak benches in the park).

**Approval of minutes:** the minutes of the September 24 board meeting were approved.

**Adjournment:** the meeting was adjourned at 12:57.

Respectfully submitted,

Allyn Reilly,  
Secretary