



Northern Michigan University
Retirees Association

Minutes of the August 14, 2014 Social Meeting and Election

Location: Cadillac/Brule Room, Don H. Bottum University Center

Start time: @ 10:00a social time Meeting called to order 10:30a

Number Present: 66 retirees and spouses, guests 2

President John Kiltinen opened the meeting at 10:30a with the tradition of a joke - splitting wood to toothpick size.

Yvonne Lee introduced NMU president Fritz Erickson. President Erickson gave the group a bio and background of his experiences at other institutions. He and his wife Jan and the two children have crisscrossed the states with a variety of academic roles. He encouraged all to release the secret of NMU and be innovative with the core values - to define the roles and engage - build a strategic plan.

In the Q&A that followed Dr. John English, MD spoke to the land gift he gave to NMU for development with programs.

Jim Thams, Associate Director, Engineering and Planning was introduced to give a presentation about the new Jamrich Hall. A slide and time lapse video gave insight into the format and construction of the new building with the inclusion of the Heart of Northern. A tour of the building will follow the meeting for those interested.

The meeting shifted to business concerns and election of board members.

John Kiltinen called for a moment of silence for the recently departed retirees.

The budget was reviewed showing costs incurred and amount over income and balance.

The election results with unanimous support were:

President - John Kiltinen

Vice-President - Yvonne Lee

Secretary- Treasurer - Sandi Poindexter

Two-year Admin/Prof - Kris Martin

Two-year Faculty - Marilyn Robbert

Two-year TOP - Chryl Hemmila

Two-year Operations - to be filled

Consideration of a change to three meetings per year will be explored by the board.

A meeting of the new board will be convened later this month to develop program plans and consider meeting dates.

Ideas and suggestions may be sent to web site - www.nmu.edu/retiree

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Two ticket holders won jars of Soltwisch jam and lucky Nina Parkkonen was the winner of the lucky 50/50 drawing.

Respectfully submitted,



Secretary-Treasurer NMU Retirees Association