UCDRA /EMERITI MEETING
ALUMNI CENTER AGR ROOM
OCTOBER 15, 2003

Emerti President Ed Costantini called the meeting to order at 2:30 PM. He advised the attendees of the ongoing efforts by both UCDRA and the Emeriti to work with the UCD administration in an effort to establish a Center for Retirees. Members of both UCDRA and Emeriti are actively working on this.

Charles Hess reminded attendees of the UCDRA/Emeriti monthly luncheon and encouraged everyone to attend.

Anne Gray reported on the current CUCRA meeting held October 1. She advised that in addition to two members of UCDRA attending, that Deanna Falge Pritchard has accepted the position as Information Officer and Bob Ermisse is to be the new Treasurer. She stated that the next CUCRA will be held in March 2004, will be hosted by UCDRA and will be held at the Oakland Airport. Anne advised the members of UCDRA that there will be two more general meetings of the Association to be held in February and May of 2004.

Liz Hansen told the associations that the Benefits Office was happy to be able to help arrange the meeting with staff from Office of the President. She introduce Guerren Salbach, UCD Health Care Facilitator and his assistant Erica Castillo. Guerren advised the associations that he and Erica were available to assist and answer questions. Their UCD office phone number is 752-4264.

Guerren also advised that:

  November 5, Blue Cross will be holding a meeting specific to UCD/Medicare Blue Cross users.
  November 12, a meeting will be held on 403 Vendors in Freeborn Hall 12N-1PM.
  November 17, the Health Faire will be held from 9-11:30 AM in Freeborn Hall.

Liz Hansen introduced Gary Schlimger, Kay Miller and Michael Waldman from the UC Office of the President.

Michael Waldman stated that open enrollment for Health Insurance will be conducted during the month of November and that packets of information were being mailed the next day from OP. He reviewed the handout materials indicating the costs and changes to the health plans offered by the Administration.

Kay Miller reviewed the Medicare Hanbook and stated that each Medicare member should be receiving a copy in the mail in the near future. She indicated that the enrollment/Health Faire will be better staffed this year with more knowledgeable people to talk to. She said that everyone should have their materials received by mail by November 1. She also said that Customer Service will now tell calling customers the “waiting time” they might expect when they call. She
also indicated that Beneficiary Designation forms can no be found on line and can be filed online by February. UCRS will no longer be mailing pension checks to banks and will only be deposited into accounts by Surepay

Gary Schlimgen reviewed the changes occurring in retirement policy. He indicated that there are 30,655 retirees in the UC system with 3,723 being retired from UC Davis. He indicated that there have been some changes in the formulary used as UC retirees are living longer. He indicated that the Money Market Fund is to be eliminated from six managed funds. He stated that a TIPS Fund, a Treasury Fund, is being set up

The meeting was adjourned at 4:30PM.