

**AGENDA**  
**UC DAVIS RETIREES' ASSOCIATION BOARD MEETING**  
**Monday, April 1, 2002**

1. Approval of Minutes
2. Approval of Agenda
3. Officer/Committee Reports
  - A. Treasurer-Dick Frost
  - B. By laws-Bev Brooks
  - C. CUCRA-Deanna Falge Pritchard and Bob Eernisse
  - D. Membership-Bob Eernisse
  - E. Newsletter/Public Relations-Corinne Cooke and Bob Bynum
  - F. Program-Barbara Nichols, Iva Armstrong, Walter Winton and Howard Frank
  - G. Nominating-Deanne Falge Pritchard, Bob Eernisse and Iva Armstrong
  - H. Benefits-Anne Gray and Walter Winton
  - I. New Business:
    - May Program
    - Budget overage
    - Update on plan to establish Retiree Association Center
    - Fall Event-Mondavi Center
  - J. Old Business:
    - Health Care Facilitator
    - Nominees for Board/Officers for 2002-2003
4. Adjourn

UCDRA BOARD MEETING  
University Club  
April 1, 2002

President Howard Frank convened the meeting at 1:40 pm.

**Attending:** Bob Padden, Iva Armstrong, Howard Frank, Barbara Nicholas, Dick Frost, Loren Herrig, Deanna Falge Pritchard, Anne Gray, Corinne Cooke, Bob Bynum, Vernon Lust.

G. **Agenda** approved as amended.

H. **Minutes** of March 4, 2002 were approved as amended.

**3. Officer and Committee reports:**

A. **Treasurer** – Dick Frost reported:

Income: Interest inc.	27.95
Membership dues:	
Annual Memberships	945.00
Lifetime Memberships	<u>1,250.00</u>
Total income	2,222.95

Expenses:

Admin. Expenses	313.47
CUCRA Dues	127.00
Travel	<u>1,001.20</u>
Total Expenses	1,441.67

Assets: Cash and Bank accounts:

UCD Agency Account	7,943.35
UCD UCDRA Donation	<u>5,246.89</u>
Total	13,190.24

B. **ByLaws** – Lorena Herrig reported no activity.

C. **CUCRA** – Anne Gray reported that she, Dick Frost and Bob Padden as Treasurer had attended the March 21 meeting held at Berkeley. Personnel from the OP Benefits office, Joe Lewis, Lily Pang , Deborah Lloyd reported to the session on current activities. UC will hold a Senior Health Care Symposium at Irvine on 10/7. Representatives from emeriti and retiree associations will be invited to participate.

D. **Membership** - Dick Frost reported on membership activity:

Membership 3/31/02	
Lifetime	170
Annual	<u>247</u>
Total	417

E. **Newsletter/Public Relations** - Corinne Cooke reported on a relatively new Campus Fact Sheet that has been prepared for 2001-2002. Corinne will try to obtain more copies. Bob Bynum advised the Board of the Spring Newsletter information due 4/1/02.

F. **Program Committee:** Barbara Nichols reported to the Board that Don Lewis, Bereavement and Volunteer Coordinator will be our program speaker on May 6. She outlined what his presentation would cover.

Barbara also reported on the idea generated from the last Board meeting to hold a Fall Reception to preview the new Mondavi Center. The Board accepted this idea and Barbara will contact the center coordinator to see if early November or early December would be a possibility. The Board approved budget of \$500 for this event.

G. **Nominating Committee:** Howard Frank reported that the nominees to fill the 2002-2003 Executive board are:

1<sup>st</sup> Vice President – Anne Gray

2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President – Barbara Nichols

Secretary – Arleen Kasmire and Chris Grain

Board Members – Allean Burton, Charles Lacy, Beverly Brooks

- H. **Benefits** – Anne Gray reported that Guerren Solbach has accepted the Health Care Facilitator position and began his duties March 1. Guerren Solbach is presently going through training and will be “open for business” May 1, 2002. He will be introduced at our May 6 Association meeting.
- I. **New Business** – President Frank discussed the budget overage for 7/1-2/02 deficit of \$1,121.83.

2002-2003 Scholarships – Corinne Cooke asked that the Board support donating #1,000 for the Staff Scholarship Awards. The Board agreed.

A discussion as held regarding the profit from the sale of the recently published history of UCD. It was suggested and approved by the Board that the proceeds be donated to the UCD Library.

President Frank gave an update of the plan to establish an UCD Retirement Center. He has contacted Chair of the Emeriti Committee. There will be a meeting with representation from UCDRA and the Emeriti Group to discuss this proposal.

- J. **Old Business** – Health Care facilitator as discussed above.  
Officer and Board nominations as discussed above.

Recorded by  
Barbara Nichols

Presented by  
Arleen Kasmire, Secretary

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CUCRA Meeting, Berkeley, Thursday, 21 March 2002

Richard Frost and Anne Gray represented UC DRA at the meeting of the Council of University of California Retiree Associations (CUCRA) at Berkeley on 21 March 2002. The lengthy agenda included the following items.

Joe Lewis, Customer Service Manager for OP Benefits Office, outlined plans for improving service to faculty, staff and annuitants. He hopes to make the web site more attractive, thus reducing the volume of calls, and to enhance call treatment protocol. CUCRA members commented that improving the web site is a laudable long-term goal but of limited value to the current annuitant constituency, many of whom do not have access to computers.

Lily Pang of OP Benefits announced that the UC CARE point-of-service plan, the High Option/Supplement to Medicare and Core Plans have been sent to public bid. UC has also requested proposals for the Preferred Provider Option (PPO) plan and consumer model alternatives. The HMO plans are not part of this bid process. UC proposes changing UC-Care from a 3-tier to a 2-tier plan and providing new PPOs for those in remote areas. The effective date for any new plans will be 1 January 2003. Premiums are likely to increase considerably with more "cost-sharing".

Ms Pang provided details on the TRICARE entitlement for Medicare-eligible Uniformed Services retirees, eligible family members and survivors, known as TRICARE for Life, which began on 1 October 2001. UC will allow annuitants to "suspend" UC health coverage if covered by TRICARE.

Deborah Lloyd gave a brief history of the Health Care Facilitator Program, which is now funded for all campuses. The Davis Facilitator was appointed on 1 March. Experience so far shows that most inquiries are in the medical area, with provider disruption an issue of particular concern, and that consumer education is urgently needed.

UC will hold a Senior Health Care Symposium at Irvine on 7 October 2002. Topics will include: healthy aging; policy issues in health care, especially those of interest to seniors; UC health benefits. Representatives will be invited from the emeriti and retirees associations on each campus.

CUCRA agreed to review the association's purpose, goals and services in light of the changing political climate of the University. What should the primary points of advocacy be? Each campus is to develop a list.

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