

UCDRA BOARD MEETING
HUMAN RESOURCES BUILDING
DECEMBER 8, 2003

President Anne Gray convened the meeting at 1:30 PM.

Attending: Anne Gray, Arleen Kasmire, Howard Frank, Beverly Brooks, Jan Stallman, John Hardie, Barbara Nichols, Allean Burton, Dick Frost, Bob Bynum, Bob Eernisse, Charles Lacy, Gil Apaka, and guest, John Gerhamnn

1. The minutes of the November 3, 2004 Board meeting were approved.
 - 1-a John Gerhamnn spoke to the Board regarding the problem of internet access to the UCD Library. He expressed difficulty and inability to access the Library from his home computer. Internet access is available to faculty, staff and students, but not retirees and others. After general discussion regarding this problem. Anne Gray volunteered to speak to someone at the library regarding this problem.
2. The agenda for the December 8 meeting was approved.
3. Retiree Parking: Anne Gray reported that she, Deanna, Ed Costantini and Charles Hess attended a meeting with the Parking and Transportation Advisory Committee. There will be no fee for retiree parking for this calendar year. There may be a fee possible for 2005. A poll has shown showed that no fee should be charged. It was estimated that \$3,000 could be the recovery amount if a fee were charged.
4. Treasurer report: Dick Frost reported a balance for the Agency Account of \$9,195.83. \$2,510 was received in membership dues. Expenses of \$125 leaving a balance of \$2,385. Membership is 212 Lifetime and 145 Annual; a total of 357 members.
5. CUCRA: Anne Gray, UCDRA Representative, Bob Eernisse, CUCRA Treasurer, and Deanna Falge Pritchard, CUCRA Information Officer, will attend the March 25 CUCRA meeting to be held in Los Angeles. Anne reported that there is discussion regarding the changing /increasing the length of term for representatives and officers for CUCRA. Barbara Nichols was appointed as the alternate CURCA Representative By the Board to fill the vacancy made by Bob Eernisse becoming CUCRA Treasurer. Beverly Brooks will prepare bylaws changes for vote by the Association at the May meeting.
6. Benefits: No report.

7. ByLaws: As discussed earlier Beverly Brooks will work on the proposed change re CUCRA representation for consideration at the May general meeting.
8. UCD Retirees/Emeriti Center:
Deanna has the results of a survey from Ames, Iowa on establishing retiree centers. She will distribute this information to the Board.

Negotiations for a Retiree Center are on hold for the time being. Deanna asked Dennis Shimek whether the small working group should meet again; Dennis in turn consulted with John Meyer, Vice chancellor for Resource Management and Planning. The Campus administration remains committed to the establishment of a center. Space in the new Conference Center has not yet been committed to any program except for a restaurant. It is unlikely decisions will be made until the details of the Governor's Budget are known in January 2004.

9. Program: Jan Stallman will explore the possibility of using the new Recreation Center as a location for the May general meeting. It may be possible that a tour of the new facility can also be arranged.

9. New Business:

The Board decided to retain the Rec Pool Lodge as the usual location for our general meetings. There was concern about adequacy of parking at the International House plus a general reluctance to hold these meetings off campus.

Jan Stallman presented a draft proposal for a new, informal program. "PHP-Major Illness (People Helping People)" (copy attached). The proposal has the support of Dennis Shimek. Bob Eernisse proposed and Barbara Nichols seconded that UCDRA should support the proposal and cooperate with the campus in establishing and maintaining the program.

Anne Gray reported that she had approached the Director of the Mondavi Center concerning the possibility of a discount for campus retirees attending performances at the Center, pointing out the Berkeley campus offers a discount, as does Stanford. The Director responded that both Berkeley and Stanford receive special funding for discounts not only to retired faculty and staff, but also to current faculty and staff. The Mondavi Center would be unable to offer a similar discount without the campus agreeing to pick up the additional expense to the Center. If they were willing to do that, he would not have a problem with the idea. The Board agreed that the campus would be unlikely to look favorably upon such a proposal in the current budgetary climate and we should shelve the matter until the situation improves.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,
Arleen Kasmire