Retirees Center Update

In September 2005, Provost and Executive Vice Chancellor Virginia Hinshaw appointed an Advisory Committee for the newly established Retirees Center that will serve both Emeriti and retirees. The Committee is comprised of three members of the UC Davis Emeriti Association (Charles Hess, Ed Costantini and Richard Wydick); three members of the UC Davis Retirees Association (Charles Lacy, Barbara Nichols and Deanna Falge Pritchard); a member at large to represent Emeriti and retirees (Calvin Handy); and a representative of the Offices of: the Senior Associate Vice Chancellor—Human Resources (Elizabeth Hansen), the Human Resources Division-UC Davis Health System (Gloria Alvarado) and the Chancellor and Provost (Robert Loessberg-Zahl). The Advisory Committee meets monthly.

At the first meeting held October 2005 Charles Hess and Charles Lacy were elected chair and vice-chair, respectively, by the Committee. A work group was appointed (Deanna Falge Pritchard chair, Gloria Alvarado and Liz Hansen) to prepare a position description for the recruitment of a full time person who could provide leadership of the Center’s development and also handle clerical responsibilities. The work group met with Leslye Hays, Executive Administrative Officer in the Office of the Chancellor and Provost, to whom the position will report and with her input presented a comprehensive position description to the Advisory Committee at the December meeting.

The Provost’s Office is looking for space for the Center. There is a possibility that some space may be available in Mrak Hall as a start up location with the hope that the Center will be relocated to the Hotel Conference Center when it is completed. An article about the establishment of the Retirees Center is being developed for the January issue of Dateline which should coincide with the beginning of the recruitment for the head of the Center.