

UCD Retirees' Association
Board Meeting
Monday, October 2, 2006
UC Davis Human Resources Building Conference Room
1:30 – 3:00 p.m.
Meeting Minutes

Attendees: Beverly Brooks, Bob Bynum, Corinne Cooke, Aggie Costantini, Earlene Doss, Bob Eernisse, Deanne Falge-Pritchard, Anne Gray, Arleen Kasmire, Carol Kurtz, Charles Lacy, Barbara Nichols, Norma Rice, and Bob Halferty, President

Unable to attend: Barbara Anderson, Gilmer Apaka, Howard Franks, Gary Schultz, and Jim Wilson

Guest: Paula Shimada, Coordinator, Work-Life Program

The meeting was called to order by Bob Halferty, who introduced Paula Shimada. Shimada spoke about "Aggies on the Move," a new walking program for all campus community members in collaboration with various campus departments and offices. She went on to outline the dates and starting site locations.

Further, Shimada re-explained the nationally run, "Take Our Daughters & Sons to Work" day scheduled for Thursday, April 26, 2007. Children ages 8-12 are eligible. The hope is to have twice the 200 children who participated this past year.

Approval of Minutes of the September 11, 2006 Meeting

A motion was made by Charles Lacy and seconded by Carol Kurtz to approve the minutes of the September 11, 2006. Motion carried.

Officers/Committee Reports

Budget request for 2006-07. Bob Halferty outlined the Association's expenses for fiscal year 2005-06 and the requested \$5000 allocation of funds from the campus for 2006-07 as outlined in his letter to Betsy Archer and in Tables 1 and 2 (copies distributed at meeting). The impact of the new Retirees Center on the Retirees' Association budget is yet to be determined. (Refer to Halferty's 9/22/06 letter to Archer).

In the same letter, Halferty pointed out that campus assistance is needed to develop an internet website for the Association. He would like the same resources provided as was given the Academic Senate for development of the UC Davis Emeriti Association website. The Retirees' Association could use UCDEA's website as a model.

On the subject of budget, Bob Bynum would like the Association to consider increasing the staff scholarship award amount. The Board will discuss the matter further at its December board meeting.

Membership. Aggie Costantini talked about the letter that will be sent to new retirees asking them to consider joining the Association. Included in the letter will be a short survey. [The survey also will be distributed at the October 24 general meeting.] Additionally, a letter will go to individuals whose membership has lapsed (approximately 200 in number).

It was suggested that UCDDA brochures be available at Quarter Century meetings.

Fall Newsletter. According to Bob Bynum, the newsletter should have been delivered to Bulk Mail and will be mailed to retirees next week. He made inquiries about the cost of inserting two additional pages into the regular newsletter, and learned that it is very expensive because the added pages must be inserted by hand. Printing alone would double the current cost. An analysis will be done in which the cost of Kinko's versus Reprographics will be considered.

Discussion of possible future UCDDA activities and events

Retiree Center services: Free notary; information on assisted living; information on University Retirement Center; computer training and service; how to obtain service on your home computer; long term care insurance; holding an open house on Picnic Day; parking (continued free); Library privileges.

Social activities: Steak Bake to be held at the Alumni and Visitors Center; annual reception to honor new retirees (include UCDDMC)*; Picnic Day parade entry [ride aboard the 1953 antique Divco truck of "Marshall the Milkman"]; fundraiser (for staff scholarship) at Picnic Day.

Campus services activities: Volunteering (such as take a child to work; other)

Special Education/Information activities: Osher Lifelong Learning Institute (OLLI) program; monthly speaker program; financial and investment small seminars/workshops (15-25 people).

Outings/short trips and tours: Sporting events/tailgate parties; information on longer trips (through Center); arts and culture; wine country.

*It was suggested that Halferty write to Provost Hinshaw asking for financial support from the Chancellor's office.

Announcements

According to Anne Gray, staff will have the opportunity to purchase Mondavi tickets at reduced rates. Retirees should also have the good fortune. Halferty will pursue.

Halferty announced that open enrollment for 2007 is November 1 to 21.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:05 p.m.

Norma Rice, Secretary



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October 7, 2006

Dear UC Davis Retiree,

Welcome to Retirement! We hope that these will be good and healthy years for you. We also hope that you will consider becoming a member of the UC Davis Retirees' Assoc. (UCDRA). As the enclosed brochure indicates, annual dues are only \$10 (with the first year free), and a lifetime membership is \$100. By joining the over 550 current members--and by otherwise participating in our activities--you would help make us more effective in serving retiree needs and more generally enriching the life of the UCD community.

As you may know, UCDRA helped fend off the imposition of retiree parking fees on campus and at the UCD Health System in Sacramento (formerly UCDMC). Our parking privileges have been extended to December 2006, but we will need your support when the issue of free retiree parking is revisited later this year.

Working with the UCD Emeriti Association (UCDEA) and with many thanks to the Chancellor's office (especially Virginia Hinshaw), we have now established a campus Retiree Center, with a fulltime Coordinator. The Center is currently in 415 Mrak Hall (752-5182; Website: <http://retireecenter.ucdavis.edu>.) It will soon be headquartered in Everson Hall, and it is expected that it will eventually be located in the hotel and conference complex to be built across from the Mondavi Performing Arts Center.

You are cordially invited to the fall UCDRA-UCDEA joint meeting on **October 23, 2006**. Liz Hansen (Benefits and Insurance Contracting Manager, Human Resources) will discuss health plans, retiree benefits, and recent changes to those benefits. Kay Miller and Randy Scott from the UC Office of the President will also make presentations. Our fall meeting is always very informative and our most popular event. Please try to attend and visit with former co-workers, friends, UCDRA and UCDEA Board Members and others involved with our associations, including Doreen Barcellona Strnad, Retiree Center Coordinator.

Please JOIN UCDRA NOW by completing and returning the membership form in the enclosed brochure.

Help us keep free retiree parking.

Help continue our mutually beneficial relationship with the statewide Council of UC Retirees' Associations (CUCRA).

Receive your FREE first year of UCDRA membership.

Receive UCDRA's Newsletter, published three times per year. You have been sent a complimentary copy of the Fall 2006 issue.

Be part of the community of UC Davis retirees.

Visit and obtain information from our new Center, located at 415 Mrak.

Contribute your ideas about future UCDRA and Retiree Center programs and activities.

Attend the UCDEA/UCDRA bag lunch speaker series at Internat'l House. Schedule enclosed.

Receive (offered to members for the first time) a FREE one-year membership in University Extension's Osher Lifelong Learning Institute (OLLI).