

UCD Retirees' Association  
Board Meeting  
Monday, March 5, 2007  
UC Davis Human Resources Building  
1:30 – 3:00 PM  
Meeting Minutes

Attendees: Gilmer Apaka, Bob Ball, Beverly Brooks, Bob Bynum, Corinne Cooke, Aggie Costantini, Howard Frank, Anne Gray, Carol Kurtz, Charles Lacy, Barbara Nichols, Norma Rice, Gary Schultz, Doreen Strnad, and Bob Halferty, President

Unable to attend: Earlene Doss, Bob Eernisse, Deanne Falge-Pritchard, Arleen Kasmire, and Jim Wilson

Guest: Charles Hess and Richard Walters, UCD Emeriti Association  
Paula Shimada, Coordinator, Work-Life Program

### **Announcements**

The meeting was called to order by Bob Halferty, who introduced Paula Shimada, who spoke about the "Take our Daughters & Sons to Work Day" event scheduled for Thursday, April 26. Children ages 8-12 are eligible. Retirees can be involved by (a) contacting their former departments; (b) contact other departments; and, (c) taking a shift for a current employee, so that person could participate in the event. Contact Doreen Strnad or call Shimada direct at 752-2280 if interested.

The March 8 luncheon will feature Geoff Nelson, Fidelity Investments, who will talk about financial planning in retirement.

Volunteers are needed for the Junior Olympics which begins on June 23. Strnad is taking names.

UCD retirees' data base. UCDRA has been provided a list from the President's Office, totaling about 6000 retirees. Richard Walters indicated that data does come from the Office of the President but that an electronic version, addresses, retirement date, nor date of death were not provided. OP has a standard policy of what is/is not sent to campuses. Walters will solicit the help of CUCRA and CUCEA to ask OP to make retirement date data available. The goal is to send postcards to those who are not members of each Association, inquire whether they'd be interested in receiving information, and if so, invite them to join. Walters went through the 6000 names and found only two mistakes. Quarterly updates will be provided to the Chancellor. "Bottom line: we are getting closer to getting reliable information." Once the cards come back, we will have access to their addresses and we can ask them to join. The hope is to send out

cards the week of March 19. (Initially, OP will provide addresses to Doreen Strnad so that the post card can be mailed.)

### **Approval of Minutes of the January 8, 2007 Board Meeting and February 5, 2007 General Membership Meeting**

A motion was made by Charles Lacy and seconded by Aggie Costantini that the minutes be approved. Motion carried.

### **UCD Retiree Center Update**

Retiree Center Advisory Committee. Charles Hess serves as chair and Charles Lacy as vice chair. The function of the committee is to provide advice and guidance for operation of the Retiree Center, including relationships between the Center and the two Associations—EA and RA. The group has been very active and helpful in starting the new Center. The committee advised on the selection of the Coordinator, reviewed the Center's budget and the Center's support of the Associations.

The Committee has 10 members: three from UCDEA and three from UCORA (each with the president, immediate past president, and member-at-large), representatives from Senior Associate Vice Chancellor—Human Resources, one from Human Resources Division at the UC Davis Health System, and from the Offices of the Chancellor and Provost, and one member at large who is a EA/RA non-member.

The budget was approved at the last meeting (newsletter costs and mailings are included in the budget).

Highlights of Retiree Center update presented by Director Doreen Strnad include:

*Budget:* Center's budget reorganized and pared down; Picnic Day Open House; Advisory Committee Recognition Luncheon. Deleted: Chancellor's reception for new retirees(maybe part of Fall Wine Festival).

*TriO Scholars Membership Program:* Information session held 1/23; currently have nine mentors; Strnad took mentoring class; social for students and mentors will be in early April.

*RA Web Site:* Barbara Anderson is working with Strnad—target date up and running in June.

*UCD Health System:* Office hours begin April 24 (last Tuesday of month).

*Picnic Day Open House:* OLLI, Center for Companion Animal Health will participate.

*Picnic Day Parade:* Hope to arrange for a convertible—Retiree Center banners would be displayed on either side.

*Thank You Luncheon for Advisory Committee:* May 24 @ I-House; catered lunch; point person Norma Rice.

*Steak Bake:* June 9, Rec Pool Lodge; first committee meeting March 14; Charles Hess point person.

*Joint CUCRA/EA Meeting.* Hosted by Davis—October 25—Alumni Center.

*Miscellaneous:* Logo/Wordmark – requested meeting with Jan Conroy;  
*Photography:* (purpose: document events); *AA III* position listed—interviews March 27-28; *Brochure:* looking into cost.

C. Hess stated that Bob L-Z had inquired about the amount of space needed for the UCD Retiree Center in the planned hotel/conference center.

### **Officers/Committee Reports**

Treasurer – Carol Kurtz stated that the current balance is \$10,371 with 466 active members (314 life; 6 paid through 2008; and, 146 year-by-year). Kurtz proposed that a bill be mailed with a response envelope to members, rather than including the membership renewal form in newsletter.

Membership. Nothing to add to Kurtz's report.

Nominating. G. Schultz reported that the committee, comprised of Carlene Blaylock, Marilyn MacGregor, and himself, met. Norma Rice has agreed to serve another two-year term as secretary. There are three board positions available with two new nominees thus far – Don McNary and Ted Hillyer, one of whom could serve as a replacement for Barbara Anderson (who resigned), or the position could remain vacant until the new board convenes in July. Schultz is still searching for the third Board nominee who must be a Medical Center retiree.

Schultz announced that Gil Apaka (currently 2<sup>nd</sup> vice president) does not wish to continue if board positions are extended for another year (refer to January 9 meeting minutes).

B. Halferty explained that at the last board meeting, members agreed to extend all one-year offices for one additional year. The general membership would have to approve by a simple majority and, if passed, the bylaws would have to be amended.

Program. Gil Apaka reported that John Meyer will speak at the May 7 general meeting about current campus issues.

Centennial Planning. Bob Ball indicated that the subcommittee of the history group met with the object of finding where things are.

Newsletter/Public Relations. The deadline for Spring newsletter articles is April 2.

CUCRA Representative. Anne Gray reported that the CUCRA spring meeting will be March 21 and 22 on the Los Angeles campus. Gray and Barbara Nichols will attend. Enhancing communication to serve retirees, the individual associations, the OP and the campus is a major topic on the agenda for the first day. The agenda also includes reports/discussions on topics of importance with UCOP; report of the Joint Benefits Committee; updates on activities and issues of the individual associations; and plans for