UCD Retirees' Association
Fall General Meeting
Joint Meeting with the UCD Emeriti Association
Monday, October 22, 2007
UC Davis ARC Ballrooms A & B
2:30 – 4:00 PM
Meeting Minutes

Richard Walters, President of the UCD Emeriti Association, welcomed everyone to the Joint Meeting of the UCDRA and UCDEA.

Announcements

- ARC: Building student supervisors Janene Dater and Mike Tucci briefed the group on what the ARC has to offer and how to become a member. Hours of operation: Monday-Thursday: 6 a.m. - 1 a.m.; Saturday: 8 a.m. to 9 p.m.; Sunday – 9 a.m. to midnight. Membership is open to UC retirees. The ARC offers fitness and wellness centers, cardio, weights, indoor track, access to fitness and group exercise classes, as well as nutritional analysis, massage and personal trainers. Cost to join: $40 monthly; $85 quarterly; and $340 yearly. Rates are prorated. July 1 to June 30.

- Jim Grieshop talked about EmeriCorps. The goal behind the program is to craft and maintain a new way to creatively utilize the talents and passions of emeritus and retired members of UC Davis. EmeriCorps would reach out to communities—locally, regionally, out of state or even out of country. It is all on a volunteer basis—no one would be paid. Projects would be limited to no more than three months. If interested, contact Mr. Grieshop or Doreen Strnad.

Bob Halferty, President of the UC Davis Retirees’ Association, welcomed the attendees, and indicated that with the campus centennial celebration in 2008, the February 4 Winter Meeting would be joint with the UCDEA. At that time, Assistant Vice Chancellor Bob Segar, who chairs the Centennial Committee, will discuss campus Centennial celebration planned events and show a video of the Davis campus. At the conclusion of the meeting, a special tour of the new Vet Med III lab facility is planned.

Following today’s meeting, a tour of the Aggie multi-purpose stadium is in the offering.

Retiree Center Update

Coordinator Doreen Strnad talked about past and future events:
• Open house after Convocation was held on September 26 with about 40 people attending.
• Tailgate party was October 13. Another is planned for next year’s “Causeway Classic.”
• February 16, 2008: Wine tasting at Rominger Family Tasting Room, located on Second and Mace, in Davis.
• Second Annual Steak Bake is planned for June 7.

Noon Speakers

Bill Rains, Chair of UCDEA Program Committee, announced noon luncheon speakers:
• November 8 – Melissa Bain – Behavior and Use of Companion Animals
• December 12 – Madrigal Singers and buffet lunch ($12.50/person—reservations required)
• January 10 – Kern Holoman – Impact of Mondavi Center on UCD Music Program
• February 14 – Dan Mungas – Alzheimer Disease
• March 13 – Shu Geng – Thirty Years of Development in China
• April 10 – Robert Smiley – Wine Industry
• May 8 – Bill Lacy – International Programs at UC Davis.

All luncheons/programs are held on the second Thursday of the month, with the exception of the Wednesday Madrigal Singers program; starting time 11:30 at the I-House.

Program

Bill Brooks introduced Lily Pang, Joe Lewis, and Stephanie Rosh, HRB, Office of the President.

Pang, HRB Health & Welfare Administration, began by telling the group that UC Davis has a population of over 5300 who are enrolled in medical and dental programs. Open enrollment begins November 1 through the 27th. Changes are effective January 1, 2008. Go on-line atyourservice.ucop.edu and click on open enrollment for 2008.

Pang talked about medical program bid for 2008, resulting in
• Network HMO consolidation
• New wellness and preventive benefits
• Enhanced behavioral health benefits
• Transition of care available for members in discontinued plans.

Overview of portfolio changes for non-Medicare retirees: current model and 2008 model. Overview for Medicare: everything is the same.
Network HMO: Health Net will be the UC statewide HMO plan. 21,000 employees and retirees are enrolled. PacifiCare will no longer be offered; selection of another plan is necessary taking effect January 1, 2008. Recommend all PacifiCare members make an on-line open enrollment selection to ensure PCP selection. No action: default HMO.

Other changes:
- With the exception of Kaiser members, no cost for preventive physical exams and preventive inoculations.
- New is Stay Well Health Management which offers health assessment questionnaire and a $75.00 gift certificate for completing the survey.
- Behavioral health changes replacing existing: copay waived first three visits; Kaiser members may access either Kaiser Behavioral Health benefits or UBH benefits.

Other health and wellness benefit programs:
- Dental programs continue to be fully paid for UC retirees.
- Vision (VSP): voluntary retiree plan available July 1, 2008: paid fully by retiree; more information available early 2008. Still working on the University paying a portion of the premium.
- AD&D (AIG): identity theft program added at no additional cost.
- Legal (ARAG): plan is open; rates will increase 9.3% to $10.02 single and $13.78 for 2-party.

Overall: Some premiums will be less; a few a bit higher.

Joe Lewis, HRB Retirement Administration and Customer Service Center, talked about functions of customer service. Center is open Monday-Friday, 8:30 to 4:30 Pacific Time at 1-800-888-8267, option 5 for address changes/passwords; and option 4 for everything else. Busiest time: Mondays and/or any time right at 8:30 a.m. Best time to reach is later in the day, week, and month. During open enrollment, call early in the month of November.

Main function for Customer Service:
- Answer questions about ROE materials
- Recreate ROE statement if have moved or need replacement statements
- Assist with changes
- Assist with Medicare age-in process.

Lewis encouraged retirees to read the materials which will be mailed. Any and all changes are effective January 1, 2008. If go online to make changes, when asked to “confirm” changes, be sure to do so.

Question and answer session followed the presentations of Pang and Lewis.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:50 p.m.
Norma Rice, Secretary