

UCD Retirees' Association  
Board of Directors Meeting  
Monday, December 3, 2007  
61 Mrak Hall  
1:30 – 3:00 PM  
Meeting Minutes

**Attendees:** Marjorie Ahl, Bob Ball, Beverly Brooks, Bob Bynum, Aggie Costantini, Lew Dudman, Deanna Falge-Pritchard, Anne Gray, Ted Hillyer, Arleen Kasmire, Carol Kurtz, Charles Lacy, Yvonne Marsh, Don McNary, Barbara Nichols, Norma Rice, Gary Schultz, Doreen Strnad, Dick Walters, and Bob Halferty, President

**Unable to attend:** Jim Wilson

The meeting was called to order by President Bob Halferty.

**Announcements**

- No Board Meeting in January.
- The February 4, 2008 Winter Meeting, joint with the Emeriti Association, will have Assistant Vice Chancellor Bob Segar, chair of the Centennial Committee, speak on "UC Davis Plans for the Centennial Celebration." A special tour of the new Vet Med 3A building will follow the meeting.
- The Madrigal Singers will perform at the December 12 luncheon.
- Anne Gray was elected treasurer of the Council of UC Retirees' Association (CUCRA). Barbara Nichols has accepted board appointment of Davis campus representative to the Association and Deanna Falge-Pritchard will serve as alternate.

A motion was made by Bob Halferty and seconded by Lew Dudman to appoint Nichols as representative and Falge-Pritchard as alternate effective January 1, 2008. Motion approved.

- The joint CUCEA and CUCRA meeting will be at UC Riverside either the end of March or end of April.

**Approval of Minutes**

Minutes of the November 5, 2007 were approved as submitted.

**Officer and Committee Reports**

UC Davis Emeriti Association – Dick Walters:

- Annual membership: Out of 110, only a few have not renewed.
- Bi-annual bio surveys have been mailed and responses already have been received. The information is used as a vehicle for the campus to gauge the contributions emeriti make.
- The database is improving.
- A candidate's name has been submitted for the Distinguished Emeritus award.

Additionally, a nominee for the Panunzio award is in the process of being formerly submitted.

- There is fairly good cooperation from OP but obtaining lists is still a challenge. The biggest problem is when a faculty member retires, his/her name is removed from the University list. The Benefits people are helping but there is still more to be done

#### UC Davis Retiree Center – Doreen Barcellona Strnad

- Events:

*Basketball Bash!* – Saturday, February 2. Women's and Men's games. Purchase food inside: reserved tables and chairs for retirees are set aside at the Upper Level North concourse. Fifty tickets have been reserved and can be purchased for \$10 from the ticket office.

*Winter Wine Tasting* – Saturday, March 1 at Rominger West Winery from 5-7 p.m. - \$10 at the door

*General Meeting* on February 4, joint with EA. Strnad questioned the necessity of reserving parking (\$380), which is not really used by meeting attendees? Plenty of parking is available. Agreement was reached that parking will not be reserved and see how it goes.

*Mailing to 2000 local, non-member retirees within a 30-mile radius.* Postcard will highlight the basketball event and wine tasting.

- Miscellaneous:

Question: Should more UC DRA brochures be printed in January? (Answer: Yes. 2500 or 5000? Membership Committee will research cost.) Brochures could be distributed at locations such as senior centers and libraries.

- New Projects:

*"Retiree Work Opportunity" program.* Charles Lacy and Strnad met with Bob L-Z to review projected time line. After receiving necessary feedback and approvals, hopefully, the new program will begin in 2008-09. Marketing will start in spring. Strnad will write the proposal.

*Centennial.* Alex McCalla and Verne Mendel will meet on January 4 to discuss a narrator for film.

*Freshman Seminar Series.* Strnad has left a message for Janet Chambers of the Teaching Resources Center.

*Picnic Day* – April 19. Parade and open house.

Treasurer. Carol Kurtz reported that \$580, representing \$180 in annual and \$400 in lifetime memberships, has been collected in the past month. Current balance \$12,696.79. RA and EA will share equally expenses from the joint general meeting.

Membership. Aggie Costantini said that cards of lapsed memberships are still coming in. During the months of July through October, 147 memberships (new and renew) and 18 lifetime were received. (Total of \$3270)

She would like to send a letter, envelope, and bill (different from other mailings). It could be done anytime. Costs would be for printing and mailing only.

Centennial Committee. Gary Schultz missed the meeting with Bob Segar and has not talked with Alex McCalla.

Newsletter. Bob Bynum indicated that December 31 is the deadline for the newsletter.

Program. Yvonne Marsh said that Charles Hess will introduce Bob Segar (February 4 general meeting). She will meet with Aggie Costantini and Lew Dudman to talk about the May 5 general meeting. (Theme: financial planning/matters: approaching age 70 ½.)

By-Laws Committee. No report. Bylaw changes will be voted on at the May general meeting.

CUCRA. Anne Gray reported

- Time of spring meeting is not definite.
- Executive decision made that when statements go out in January, local campus will only be asked to send \$.50/member rather than \$1.00 but the matter will be further reviewed in spring. It is unsure if it will be annual or one-time.

Nominating Committee. Gary Schultz said positions of Second Vice President, Treasurer, and three board will need filling. The slate should be presented at the March 2008 Board meeting. Sandy Filby and Linda Bentley have agreed to serve on the Nominating Committee.

The By-Law Committee will review the matter of two- rather than one-year terms for the positions of President, 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice Presidents. This is seen as providing continuity for all officers. However, the fact that the 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President would serve six years needs to be considered. [two years as 2<sup>nd</sup> VP; two years as 1<sup>st</sup> VP; and two years as President.] B. Halferty encouraged the Board to review the by-laws and send suggestions to B. Brooks.

#### **UCDRA Association Website Activation**

Marjorie Ahl questioned what is it that the Board wants? She needs people to provide her with information, write the stories, and then she will get it on the web site. Gary Schultz suggested an area devoted to "In Memoriam" which would provide the name and department of the deceased. A. Costantini felt that the information should be brought to the attention of members. It is an important personal gesture to the family of the deceased.

Because of the hour (3 PM), agenda item discussion of attendance at general meetings" will be deferred until the March board meeting.

Meeting adjourned.

Norma Rice, Secretary

## Status Report 12-03-07

To: Retirees' Association Board

From: Doreen Barcellona Strnad/UC Davis Retiree Center

### Events:

1. Basketball social event on Saturday Feb. 2<sup>nd</sup>; 2 games; 50 tickets reserved, to be purchased direct from ticket office, will have tables/chairs for between-game-festivities
2. General Meeting on Feb. 4<sup>th</sup>: joint with Emeriti Association; **question to discuss is cost of reserved parking \$380, not really used by meeting attendees**
3. Wine tasting now being opened to non-members
4. In January, sending out oversized postcard via 1<sup>st</sup> class to 2,000 local retirees who are not already association members, to encourage more involvement with university; postcard will highlight: February General Meeting, basketball event and wine tasting; **Discussion Point: members will receive the same information in their newsletters (purpose is to save costs but maybe this info will get lost in the newsletter, \$500 estimate)**

### Misc:

1. **Reprint the RA brochure for January?**

### New Projects:

1. "Retiree Work Opportunity" program; Charles Lacy & I met with Bob Loessberg-Zahl to review projected time frame; objective now is to get the necessary feedback and approvals completed this academic year so we can officially begin this new program for 2008-09, with initial marketing beginning this spring
2. Centennial – McCalla and Mendel will have their next meeting January 4<sup>th</sup> to discuss narrator for film
3. Call into Janet Chambers/Teaching Resources Center regarding Freshman Seminar Series
4. Picnic Day parade and open house, April 19<sup>th</sup>; **Bob's Mustang?**