UC Davis Retirees' Association
Executive Board
Monday, April 7, 2008
Room 182 HR Building
1:30 – 3:00 PM
Meeting Minutes

Attendees: Gil Apaka, Beverly Brooks, Corinne Cooke, Aggie Costantini, Lew Dudman, Micki Eagle, Bob Eernisse, Anne Gray, Arleen Kasmire, Carol Kurtz, Yvonne Marsh, Barbara Nichols, Norma Rice, Gary Schultz, Doreen Strnad, Dick Walters, and Bob Halferty, President

Unable to attend: Bob Bynum, Deanna Falge-Pritchard, Ted Hillyer, Charles Lacy, Don McNary, and Jim Wilson

The meeting was called to order by President Bob Halferty.

Announcements

Thursday's lunch will feature Bob Smiley who will talk about wine tasting. The brown bag lunch begins at 11:30 at the International House.

Bob Halferty reported that he sent an e-mail to all Board Members asking for approval of the amended UCDRA bylaws. Response was unanimous approval. Bylaw revisions will now go to the general membership for approval at the May meeting.

Spring General Meeting: Yvonne Marsh indicated that Lor Shepard will be guest speaker. The title of his talk is "Applying Investment Principles in Scary Times." The meeting is co-sponsored by UCDEA and UCDRA. Following the meeting, a tour of the Schaal Aquatic Center has been arranged. An announcement will appear in the newsletter as well as the *Davis Enterprise* and *Dateline*.

Meeting Minutes

The minutes of the March 3, 2008 meeting were approved.

Emeriti Association

Dick Walters reported that the Executive Committee will meet following Thursday's luncheon. The UCDEA general meeting is scheduled for May 22, 3:00-4:00 PM. UCD Nutritionist Liz Applegate will be the featured speaker. Walters indicated that his term as president ends June 30. Alex McCalla will assume the office July 1. Walters will serve on the membership committee. He said that a mechanism is now in place where academics—non-Academic Senate--can apply for emeritus membership at anytime.

There is a statewide meeting, jointly with CUCRA/CUCEA, in Riverside. Walters became the secretary of CUCEA July 1, 2007.

EA is happy with the lists that Marjorie Ahl has been working on.

Retiree Center Update

From Doreen Strnad, we learned about the April 19 Picnic Day events. Plans for the June 7 Steak Bake are moving forward with invitations appearing in the newsletters of both Associations. Cost is \$45/person; hoping for 125 people.

Centennial subcommittees: Social event: Friday, October 10, 5-7 p.m.; Tennis tournament: October 11 and 12; Picnic Day – April 2009.

The Spring Newsletter is going to Reprographics and then on to Bulk Mail.

Treasurer's Report

According to Carol Kurtz, since her last report \$90 has been collected with no expenses incurred for a balance of \$10,929.29, plus three new members. Total membership stands at 509.

Scholarship Committee Report

Corinne Cooke apprised the group on the history of the scholarship program and its process. Because of a change in personnel, no awards were given last year. This year, eight employees applied, two of whom appear to be prime candidates. UCDRA will be awarding scholarships in the amount of \$500 to each of the prime candidates, for a total of \$1000. The recipients will be informed by letter. It appears that RA has not been given credit for funding these scholarships. Perhaps the recipients could be invited and recognized at a general meeting.

A motion was made by Yvonne Marsh and seconded by Aggie Costantini that two \$500 scholarships be awarded. Motion carried.

It was suggested that a manual be prepared which would contain procedures and supporting documents; i.e. copies of the call for applications, award letters, etc. This raised the issue of better record keeping for each of the standing committees. We need a better "paper trail." Operating procedures for each of the standing committees needs to be established.

Newsletter Editor

In the absence of Bob Bynum, Bob Halferty indicated that the newsletter is at Reprographics.

Membership Committee Report

Aggie Costantini said that brochures went out last year along with letters to those whose memberships had fallen off the last two years. Response was good. Another "lapse" letter and the newest brochure will be sent out.

In regards to the brochure, Doreen will meet with the designer on Wednesday morning. The original designer will make the changes (at a cost of about \$100) and then Express Scripts will print 5000 (cost \$566 plus tax).

Old Business. None

New Business. Ted Hillyer, who could not be at the meeting, suggested that a statement concerning vision care be put on the UCDRA web site. Ted will write something up and give it to Marjorie.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:50 p.m.

Norma Rice, Secretary