

**UC Davis Retirees' Association
Executive Board
Monday, April 6, 2009
Room 182 HR Building
1:30 – 3:00 PM
Meeting Minutes**

Attendees: Sue Barnes, Aggie Costantini, Lew Dudman, Micki Eagle, Anne Gray, Bob Halferty, Ted Hillyer, Alex McCalla, Barbara Nichols, Jim Wilson and Gary Schultz, President

Unable to Attend: Yvonne Marsh, Norma Rice, Beverly Brooks, Deanna Falge-Pritchard, Arleen Kasmire, Carol Kurtz, and Don McNary

The meeting was called to order at 1:30 p.m. by President Gary Schultz.

Retiree Center Update

Sue Barnes reviewed the two major upcoming events for the remainder of this academic year:

Picnic Day – the Center will have Bob Eernisse and his Mustang convertible in the parade. Riding with Bob will be representatives of the Retiree Center and the two Associations. Following the parade, the Retiree Center will have a booth open at Everson Hall from 12 to 2 that will focus on “Living Healthy to 100”.

Steak Bake - honoring retiring Chancellor Larry Vanderhoef is scheduled for Saturday, June 6, at the Rec Pool Lodge. A maximum of 110 attendees can be accommodated and the cost per person will be lower for members of the two Associations than for non-member UC retirees. Invitations will be sent out to approximately 5,000 UC retirees living within 30 miles of Davis, and will be accepted on a first-come first-serve basis.

Gift for Chancellor Vanderhoef

Aggie Costantini made a motion, seconded by Lew Dudman, to provide up to \$150 of Retirees' Association funds to match an equal amount from the Emeriti Association for purchase of a retirement gift for Chancellor Vanderhoef. The motion was passed unanimously. Bob Halferty was designated to work with the Emeriti Association representative (Ed Costantini) in selecting a gift that will be presented during the program following the Steak Bake.

UCD Emeriti Association Update

Alex McCalla announced that campus parking privileges for UC retirees have been approved for two more years. Members of the Board expressed their appreciation to Alex for his effort in successfully lobbying the campus administration to continue retiree parking privileges.

Alex noted that the name of the Thursday noon luncheon talks may be changed to encourage greater attendance by staff retirees. The topics for next year's programs will be selected by Tom Rost and Anne Gray.

Meeting Minutes

The minutes of the meeting of March 2, 2009 were approved with one change: On page 2, second paragraph, “The UC legislative analyst. . .” needs to be changed to “The Legislative Analyst. . .”

Treasurer’s Report

Aggie Costantini reported for Carol Kurtz that our funds balance as of 3/18/09 is \$13,437.91. Currently we have 619 paid members.

CUCRA Representative

Barbara Nichols announced that the spring CUCRA meeting will be held in San Diego April 30, with a joint CUCRA/CUCEA meeting in the morning and the two Associations meeting separately in the afternoon. Barbara will attend as our representative and Deanna Falge-Pritchard as alternate. Anne Gray will be attending in her capacity as CUCRA Treasurer.

Membership Committee

Aggie Costantini will be sending out one more membership dues letter this year. These letters are needed and have been quite successful as reminders of lapsed memberships and dues payable for the coming year.

Public Relations Committee

Members of the Board expressed their support of establishing this committee as proposed, to be named the “Public Relations and Media Committee”. Co-chairs of the Committee will be Micki Eagle and Lew Dudman. Other members of the Committee will be appointed by the Executive Board upon recommendation of the Co-Chairs. Included in the Committee’s scope of responsibilities will be oversight of the Retirees’ Association newsletter and website.

Scholarship Committee

Micki Eagle suggested that instead of giving designated UCDDA scholarships this year, a contribution of \$1,000 be made to the Chancellor’s recently-established scholarship fund in the name of the Retirees’ Association. Following a motion by Barbara Nichols, seconded by Micki Eagle, the Board unanimously approved contributing \$1,000 of UCDDA funds to the Larry N. Vanderhoef Scholarship Fund.

Staff Retiree Celebration Committee

Barbara Nichols reported that an event to recognize new UCD retirees is being planned for Monday, June 15 5-7 p.m. at the University Club. The event will honor the approximately 150 new UC Davis retirees anticipated this year. Each new retiree may bring one guest. The event will include Executive Board members, but will not be open to the entire membership of the Association. The event will be publicized in the campus Dateline, on the Association’s website, and in outside media. The cost of the event, including ~\$200 rent for the University Club facilities, will be assumed by the Retirees’

Association. Barbara and Yvonne Marsh will recommend two people to work with Sue Barnes in planning the event.

Newsletter

Gary Schultz announced that the spring newsletter will be a one page condensed version containing only information of greatest importance to members. The future of the newsletter will be a matter to be taken up by the new Public Relations and Media Committee.

Old Business

Gary Schultz confirmed that the Retirees' Association will honor Lorena Herrig in this year's Picnic Day parade. Lorena will ride in a horse-drawn carriage and will be escorted by next year's UCDRA President Yvonne Marsh.

New Business

Election for 2009-10

Nominees for 2009-2010 Executive Board positions are as follows:

President – Yvonne Marsh

1st Vice President and President-elect – Ted Hillyer

2nd Vice President – Estelle Jones

Secretary – Norma Rice (willing to serve one year of the 2-year term)

Treasurer – Diane Mundy (will serve one year, completing the 2-year term of Carol Kurtz)

Executive Board Members (2-year terms) –

Lew Dudman, Micki Eagle, Don McNary

This year's nominating committee was chaired by Yvonne Marsh and included Carlene Blaylock and Dot Turner.

Meeting Dates for 2009-10

The Board concurred with Gary Schultz' suggestion that the first meeting of 2009-10 be moved up to Monday, August 31 to avoid conflicting with the September 7 Labor Day holiday.

Steak Bake – Fee Structure for Retiree Center Events

Sue Barnes discussed the advantage to the two Associations of charging their members less for admission to Retiree Center events than would be paid by non-members. This would be a benefit of membership in the Associations and an added incentive to join. This is not a formal proposal, but Sue would like to receive input on the matter from our Board members.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:00 p.m.

Bob Halferty - for Secretary Norma Rice