

UC Davis Retirees' Association Executive Board Meeting

Monday, December 6, 2010 1:15 to 2:45 pm

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Agenda

1. Introductions (Janet Berry) and Announcements
2. Approval of the Minutes
3. Retiree Center Update – Sue Barnes
4. Emeriti Association Update – Bill Rains
5. Treasurer's Report – Diane Mundy
6. UC Merced proposal – Anne Gray
7. Committee Reports – Chairs
 - a. Membership Committee – Aggie Costantini
 - b. Public Relations and Media Committee – Jim Wilson
 - c. Nominations Committee – Gloria Alvarado
 - d. Program Committee – Sandy Filby
 - 11/9 noon talk report – Barnes
 - e. Campus Connections – Barbara Anderson (articles due to editors 12/8)
 - f. Scholarship Committee – Phyllis McCalla (not attending)
8. Old Business
 - a. Scholarship amount – Ted Hillyer
 - b. UC DRA survey – Yvonne Marsh
 - c. 2010-11 budget proposal – Diane Mundy
9. New Business
 - a. Winter Wine Tasting Reception musician – Sue Barnes
 - b. Retiree Center annual report – Sue Barnes
 - c. March RA meeting (in Sacramento) – Sue Barnes
 - d. Soderquist Endowment – Janet Berry
 - e. What “action items” would you like to work on this year? – Ted Hillyer

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Executive Board
Monday, December 6, 2010
63 Mrak Hall
1:15 – 2:45 PM
Meeting Minutes**

Attendees: Gloria Alvarado, Sue Barnes, Beverly Brooks, Aggie Costantini, Lew Dudman, Deanna Falge-Pritchard, Sandy Filby, Anne Gray, Don McNary, Diane Mundy, Barbara Nichols, Bill Rains, Norma Rice and President Ted Hillyer

Unable to Attend: Barbara Anderson, Micki Eagle, Yvonne Marsh, and Phyllis McCalla

Guest: Janet Berry, Development Office

President Ted Hillyer called the meeting to order, and introduced Janet Berry.

Approval of November 1, 2010 Meeting Minutes

The minutes were unavailable for review.

Retiree Center Update

Sue Barnes reported:

- Bodega Bay Tour on November 16 -- breaking into two groups worked well.
- Aggie Football Game Tailgate Party - The Advisory Group will be consulted about continuing the event next year.
- Victorian Christmas, Nevada City – December 12. The bus is full.
- Plans are beginning for winter events.
- *Center News* comes out the first week of January.

Emeriti Association Update

Bill Rains reported that the Association has been busy with various awards and that the applicant response is good.

CUCEA/CUCRA has put together an administration service center. It is a Universitywide office, with Joe Lewis serving as director. People should be made aware of the office as well as the customer service phone number.

Treasurer

Diane Mundy reported that as of November 1, 2010, there is a balance of \$18,176.53. Deposits: \$250.00; expenses: \$1,217.93. Total Bank Account: \$17,208.60.

UC Merced proposal

Anne Gray reported that the CUCRA Executive Committee had discussed UC Merced's readiness for a retiree organization. Currently Merced has only 12 annuitants (emeriti and staff retirees); it will be a few years before they have a viable organizational base. In the meantime we

might suggest that retirees join one of the campus organizations to establish a connexion. Davis is the closest but too far away for people living in Merced to participate actively, though they might like to receive newsletters. CUCRA proposes to make an approach to the Merced Chancellor with this suggestion. RA Board members believe the proposal is a good one. Gray will convey this sentiment to the CUCRA Executive Committee.

Committee Reports

Membership Committee

Aggie Costantini said there was very little news and she does not have a membership count. Diane Mundy thinks it is about 620 paid. Costantini would like to review the “associate membership” status in the future.

Public Relations and Media Committee

Ted announced that Jim Wilson is not well which has necessitated his resigning from the Board. Be thinking about a replacement.

Nominating Committee

Gloria Alvarado is setting up a plan for understanding the structure of UCDRA. She will need two more people to work with her. She is proposing that at the January meeting, lengths of appointments be looked at and how appointments are made. Additionally, she will query current Board members about their willingness to serve another term. At the February meeting, a proposed slate for next year’s Board will be presented.

Program Committee

Sandy Filby reported that 88 people have signed up for the Madrigal Singers December lunch. She noted that responsibilities for the monthly speaker luncheons should be shared by both chairs of RA and EA program committees.

Sue Barnes reviewed the November noon talk which was held at the UCDHS. The turnout was poor with only 11 people attending. This matter needs a further look by both Associations whether to continue. HS retirees might be surveyed to see if there is interest in their attending the March talk (scheduled in Sacramento). Alvarado believes the survey idea is good, but pointed out that many retirees from UCDHS but then go on to work for another health system.

Aggie Costantini said that people from HS should be recruited to serve on the UCDRA board, a committee, or just become a member. Sue Barnes wrote a brief summary which will go into *Campus Connections*.

Campus Connections

Articles are due by December 8.

Sandy Filby will send descriptions of noon talks to Barbara Anderson.

Scholarship Committee

Ted Hillyer for Phyllis McCalla. Scholarships have been paid for this year. Starting new for next year.

Old Business

Scholarship Amount

S. Filby recommended awarding an amount that RA can afford. If the amount is \$1000, give it at one person. Diane Mundy commented that a lot is “need-based” and is to help a student. Further discussion was tabled until the January meeting.

UCDRA Survey

Sue Barnes, reporting on behalf of Yvonne Marsh, noted that 221 surveys had been submitted on line and that 54 paper versions had been received. In looking at the surveys, 54 out of 221 want to learn more about the Retirees Association. [In regards the gift certificate drawing, Board members were excluded from participating.]

2010-11 Budget Proposal

Diane Mundy presented the proposal budget, which showed a total estimated dues amount of \$5,000, and total estimated expenses of \$5,267. Following a review by the Board, **a motion was made by Lew Dudman and seconded by Anne Gray to accept the proposed budget for 2010-2011. Motion carried.**

New Business

Winter Wine Tasting Reception musician

Sue Barnes asked for and received approval to cover the musician’s cost of \$200, split between RA and EA. The amount is already in the proposed budget which was approved above.

Retiree Center Annual Report

Barnes indicated that the report will be widely distributed.

March 7 RA Meeting in Sacramento

It was agreed to hold the business portion of the meeting before lunch, followed by a tour of the new wing of the HS.

Soderquist Endowment

Ted Hillyer introduced Janet Berry who talked about a special opportunity for staff and retirees to contribute to a new program to establish a graduate support fund.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:45 PM.

Norma Rice, Secretary