

UC Davis Retirees' Association Executive Board Meeting

Monday, September 13, 1:15 – 2:45 p.m.

UC Davis Conference Center, #2207

Agenda

1. Introductions and Announcements
2. Approval of the Minutes
3. Emeriti Association Update – Alvarado
4. Retiree Center Update – Barnes
5. Treasurer's Report – Diane Mundy
6. Continuing Business
 - a. Increase scholarship amount for future? – Phyllis McCalla
 - b. Board Workshop reports – Long-Term Plan—Sub-committee: Ted Hillyer
 - c. Driver volunteer program – Aggie Costantini
7. New Business
 - a. New committee chairs needed (Public Relations and Scholarship) – Gloria Alvarado
8. Committee Reports – Chairs
 - a. Membership Committee – Aggie Costantini
 - Can spouses of deceased non-members join? Received a request
 - Can current staff/faculty join? Received a request
 - b. Public Relations/Media Committee – Vacant
 - c. By-Laws Committee – Beverly Brooks
 - d. Nominations Committee – Gloria Alvarado
 - e. Program Committee – Sandy Filby
 - f. Campus Connections – Kate Mawdsley
 - g. Scholarship Committee – Phyllis McCalla
 - h. Audit Committee—Sharon Henn

Mark your calendars!

Fall quarter events:

- **UCDEA/UCDRA Noon Talks & General Meetings**—generally 2nd Thursdays, 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m. (first noon talk is October 11; see attached schedule)
- **Fidelity Help Desks**—3rd Tuesdays, 2 – 4 p.m., Retiree Center (starting 9/18)
- **Trip: Castello di Amarosa**—Wednesday, October 3, Calistoga
- **Trip: Beach Blanket Babylon holiday show**—Wednesday, December 5, San Francisco
- **UCDEA/UCDRA holiday luncheon**—Wednesday, December 12, 11:30 a.m. – 1 p.m., Alumni Center

Winter quarter 2013 events:

- **Hospice 101** workshop—Wednesday, January 23, 12 – 1 p.m., Alumni Center
- **Mondavi Center** tour/lunch at Tercero—Thursday, March 7, 10 a.m. – 1 p.m.

Spring quarter 2013 events:

- **New Retirees Reception**—Thursday, June 20, 2013, 5 – 7 p.m., Conference Center Ballrooms
- **Retiree Center Appreciation Luncheon**—Thursday, June 27, 2013, 11:30 a.m. – 1 p.m., Alumni Center

Summer quarter events:

- **New Retirees Resource Day**—Thursday, July 18, 2013, 8:30 – 11 a.m., ARC Ballroom A

UC Davis Retirees' Association Executive Board Meeting

Monday, June 4, 2012

1:15 – 2:45 pm

UC Davis Conference Center

Room 2207

Meeting Minutes

Present: Gloria Alvarado, Sue Barnes, Lew Dudman, Micki Eagle, Deanna Falge-Pritchard, Sandy Filby, Bob Halferty, Barbara Leary, Yvonne Marsh, Phyllis McCalla, Kate Mawdsley, Diane Mundy, Barbara Nichols, Bill Rains, Norma Rice, and Ted Hillyer, President

Unable to attend: Beverly Brooks, Aggie Costantini, Sharon Henn, and Don McNary

1. Introductions and Announcements

President Ted Hillyer called the meeting to order. He was informed that the mother of Beverly Brooks had passed away. Additionally, Aggie Costantini had undergone emergency surgery for an appendectomy and is recovering well.

2. Approval of Minutes

Upon a motion duly made by Sandy Filby and seconded by Lew Dudman, the minutes of the May 7, 2012 were unanimously approved.

3. Emeriti Association Update – Bill Rains

Rains indicated that he will be serving on the committee to select an interim-Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs.

His tenure as President of UCDEA is ending; John Vohs will assume office effective July 1. Hillyer thanked Bill for his support this past year.

4. Retiree Center Update – Sue Barnes

Barnes reviewed upcoming events as follows:

This Friday's Steak Bake—74 is the final count. Two hundred plus have registered for the June 21 New Retirees Reception.

For Fall, Castello di Amorosa – October 3, Calistoga; UCDEA/RA noon talk – Thursday, October 11, 11:30 a.m.-1:00 p.m., International House; UCDEA/RA fall meeting – Friday, November 9, 1:45-4:30 p.m., UC Davis Conference Center; Beach Blanket Babylon holiday show – December 5, San Francisco; and, UCDEA/RA holiday luncheon – Wednesday, December 12, 11:30 a.m.-1:00 p.m., UC Davis Alumni Center.

5. Treasurer's Report

Diane Mundy reported a balance of \$17,685.49.

6. Continuing (Old) Business

a. Meeting day/time – Gloria Alvarado

Pros and cons were discussed on changing the day and time of Executive Board Meetings from Monday to Thursday following the noon talks. Meetings times would be the same (beginning at 1:15 p.m.). Perhaps this change would bring more people to the noon talks.

To paraphrase Sue Barnes as written in her 8/13/12 e-mail,

1. "The board meeting days will move to the second Thursday of the month, to correspond with the UCDEA board meeting day and noon talks. UCDEA board members are encouraged to come early; UCDEA board members are encouraged to stay late to enjoy the noon talks.

2. General meetings have also moved to Thursdays (except for November, when the conference center was not available on that day)
3. The location of the board meetings and noon talks will move to the Alumni Center on most months. Exceptions: in September and June, when there are no noon talks, the board meetings will be in the large conference room on the second floor of the conference center. In October, everything will be at the International House, as the AGR room was not available.”

A motion was made by Micki Eagle and seconded by Deanna Falge-Pritchard to move the meeting date to the second Thursday of each month with the exception of Friday, November 9. Quarterly meetings are scheduled for Friday, November 9, 2012 and Thursday, February 14, 2013. Motion carried.

Moving the meeting dates will be on a one-year trial basis.

- b. Board Workshop reports – Long-Term Plan
Ted Hillyer plans to meet with the group one more time before the end of the month to finalize the plan before forwarding to Gloria Alvarado.

Ideas to ponder:

- Separate RA from Retiree Center; let our constituents know we are separate from RC
- Offer free campus tours
- Volunteer driver service – pick people up and bring them to meetings. It would be a service to our members
- Notary service at RC. Marjorie Ahl is willing to be trained
- Look at ways to align with UCDEA
- Revisit interest groups; i.e. travel
- Membership – have short talks at every social event
- E-mail thank you notes to new retirees who attended the reception
- One-time volunteer assignments to non-board members; involve more people
- Encourage use of Facebook.

Forward additional suggestions to Hillyer. The list will be prioritized.

7. New Business

- a. “Abundant Harvest” Books – Ted Hillyer
A complimentary copy will be given to individuals who join the Association. It would be a benefit of joining/becoming a member. Information will be included in the UCDEA brochure.
- b. Driver volunteer program
Sandy Filby cautioned: be sure you have the on-going energy to sustain the program.
- c. Video Records Project – Ted Hillyer
The videos are stored at Shields Library; interviews can be viewed on local TV. The EA Board is making the project available to staff. Hillyer is one staff retiree who has been interviewed.

Before forwarding names of prospective retired staff to Hillyer, more discussion is needed. Start with people who saw the campus through significant times. What was “your” perspective during a particular period?

- d. RC Advisory Committee representative
Barbara Nichols has volunteered to serve another three-year term. Thank you Barbara.
- e. CUCRA Representatives

Deanna Falge-Pritchard has agreed to serve as representative, and Barbara Nichols as alternate. Thank you to both.

- f. Advocacy trip to capital – Phyllis McCalla
McCalla apprised the Board on the UC Davis Campus Community Advocacy Day at the State Capitol.
- g. 2012-13 budget – Diane Mundy
The Board reviewed and approved the Budget as presented with the addition of \$500.00 added to miscellaneous expenses. Phyllis McCalla moved to approve.

The subject of increasing the scholarship amount (to \$1500) will need further discussion. The \$1000 will continue for this year.

8. Committee Reports – Chairs

- a. Public Relations/Media Committee – Barbara Leary
The Facebook page is up and running. Post pictures! Over 30 people have registered positive comments. Leary will not continue on the committee but will maintain the Facebook page.
- b. Nominations Committee – Gloria Alvarado
Need to replace Leary as Public Relations/Media Committee chair. Additionally, Phyllis McCalla will go off the Scholarship committee.
- c. *Campus Connections* – Kate Mawdsley
Between issues.
- d. Scholarship - Phyllis McCalla
UCD Staff Assembly Scholarship Committee chair has changed.
- e. Miscellaneous
Sue Barnes reported that the count for the Steak Bake is down 30 people. In order to break even, the Retiree Center will need to subsidize some of the costs.
What to do? We should have a smaller group deciding what the RA wants to support in these types of endeavors. A topic for future discussion.

Sandy Filby suggested that new officers think about having a facilitator at the first meeting, similar to last year.

Ted Hillyer was thanked for his two years as President of UCDRA.

The meeting was adjourned at 3 p.m.

Norma Rice
Secretary and Recorder

UC Davis Campus Community Advocacy Day
Thursday, May 24, 2012

State Capitol

Below are the documents provided the UCD constituents invited to attend and participate in the UC Davis Campus Community Advocacy Day.

Participant List:

- Chancellor Linda Katehi
- Academic Senate Chair Linda Bisson
- Staff Assembly Chair Rob Kerner
- ASUCD Director, Legislation and Policy Eddie Yoo, representing ASUCD President Rebecca Sterling
- GSA Chair Katie Kolesar
- UC Davis Retirees Association Phyllis McCalla, representing President Ted Hillyer
- UC Davis Emeriti Association President Bill Rains
- Staff Advisor to the Regents, Penny Herbert (UCDHS, Director, Strategic Planning)
- Staff
 - Karl Engelbach, Associate Chancellor/Chief of Staff
 - Marj Dickinson, Assistant Vice Chancellor, Gov't Rel.

Schedule for the Day

- 9:00 a.m. Advocacy Overview, UCOP State Government Relations Office
- 10:30 a.m. Emily Rogers, Legislative Aide, Office of Assemblyman Wes Chesbro
- 11:00 a.m. Assemblywoman Mariko Yamada
- 11:30 a.m. Assemblywoman Alyson Huber
- 12:00 p.m. Assemblyman Roger Dickinson
- 12:30 p.m. Erika Bustamante, Assembly Fellow, Office of Assemblyman Luis Alejo
- 1:00 p.m. Mufaddal Ezzy, Policy Consultant, Office of Senator Darryl Steinberg
- 1:30 p.m. Dave Titus, Chief of Staff, Office of Assemblywoman Beth Gaines
- 2:15 p.m. Assemblyman Cameron Smyth & Derick Lennox, Legislative Aide
- 3:00 p.m. Adrian Morales, Education Consultant, Office of Assemblyman Dan Logue
- 3:30 p.m. Steve Davey, Chief of Staff, Office of Senator Ted Gaines
- 4:00 p.m. Jennifer Teasdale, Legislative Aide, Office of Senator Doug La Malfa

Message Points: UC Davis Advocacy Visits (provided by Chancellor's Office)

- We are here today (UC Davis students, faculty, staff, retirees, alumni and campus leadership) to show unity on the issue of reinvesting in higher education and UC in particular.
- Re-investment in Higher Education in 2012-13 – We appreciate that the May Revise budget for UC represents an initial step towards reinvesting in higher education, and we urge that for UC and public higher education must continue to be a top priority for the Governor and Legislature as part of the 2012-13 budget. Starting with no more cuts, state policymakers must restore the State’s commitment to public higher education – and, if possible, add \$125 million to the budget to be adopted in June to prevent a 6% tuition increase for the 2012-13 school year
- Opposition to cuts in Cal Grant program- We are united in our support for providing an affordable education for all students, but particularly those from low-income families. Restoration of these funds must come from non-education resources.
- Support for Middle Class Scholarship measure – UCOP and UCSA are in support of AB 1500 and 1501 (Perez), measures that would create the Middle Class Scholarship Program that would provide tuition relief to families with incomes between \$80,000 and \$160,000. The Legislature and Governor should move quickly to make this program a reality.
- Long-term Funding Commitment– Ask the Governor and Legislature to reach agreement on a long-term funding commitment that would ensure that quality, access, and affordability remain the tenets of a University education. Any multiyear funding commitment should provide adequate funding to prevent further fee increases and provide for the employer portion of the University’s retirement costs.

Additional Messages, if Needed

- We are very concerned with the erosion of state support over the past 15-20 years
- Students and their families have given enough; we cannot endure further cuts
- We are looking to you for leadership to make a commitment to higher education

UC Davis Budget Advocacy “Power Facts” (provided by Chancellor's Office)

- UC Davis has suffered \$176 million in cuts over the last four years, and has lost nearly 40% of our state support over the last 4 years from \$489 million to \$313 million.
- In addition, increased fixed costs over the same period total \$125 million, leaving a cumulative shortfall of \$301 million since 2007-8.
- At the same time, students and families bore a heavy burden with undergraduate systemwide fees increasing 84% (from \$6,636 to \$12,192 per year) over the same 4-year period.
- Revenue from fee increases have addressed 33% of the cumulative shortfall.
- 2011-12 marked the first time UC student tuition revenues total more than the state’s contribution to UC’s budget.
- If the Governor’s proposed tax initiative does not pass, UC Davis’s share of UC’s \$250 million the automatic “trigger cut” would be approximately \$38 million, or the equivalent of 275 faculty positions or 450 staff positions.
- UC Davis is a major economic contributor to our state and region, employing directly 42,000 people (the second largest employer in the Sacramento region after the State of California), and generating an additional 27,000 jobs through the multiplier effect.
- For every \$1 the state invests in UC Davis, the university returns nearly \$12 to the state economy

Submitted by Phyllis McCalla

May 28, 2012