Meeting Minutes

Present: Sue Barnes, Jo Anne Boorkman, Sandra Filby, Carl Foreman, Bob Halferty, Janet Hamilton, Marcia Kasabach, Rick Keller, Phyllis McCalla, Norma Rice, Ellie Sandoval, Dave Shelby, Linda Vieira

Unable to Attend: Maggie Ahern, Karen Castelli, Micki Eagle Faulkin, Deanna Falge Pritchard, Silvia Hillyer, Ted Hillyer, Kate Mawdsley, Diane Mundy

Introductions and Announcements

The meeting was called to order by President Janet Hamilton at 1:15 p.m.

Approval of Last Meeting Minutes

A clarification in the minutes of the last meeting was requested regarding the RASC report. A motion was made by Bob Halferty and seconded by Norma Rice to approve the minutes as corrected. The motion passed.

Treasurer’s Report

Diane Mundy was not in attendance; however her report was passed out and discussed. There were a number of topics addressed for next year’s budget. Janet suggested a meeting to look at a draft budget this summer. It was felt it was important to make suggestions now so they could be considered at the summer’s meeting. Suggestions: Deanna requested a student to assist with the archives. Some help is needed. It was suggested that the Picnic Day carriage amount be increased by $100. There was a discussion of its importance, such as it gives good exposure; it is the only thing done to single out retirees’ for their contributions; that it is important we be involved in the campus community event. Phyllis also suggested we increase the scholarship amount.

UCDEA Report

Jo Anne Boorkman reported that the EA meeting held this morning went well. There was a discussion about healthcare. There are no plans for changes this year. There was also a report from the communications committee task force. Next year they will have two committees, which may eventually merge. Currently they will have separate committees.

Sue reported on the coffee with the Chancellor.

Retiree Center Report

Sue gave a golf cart update. The shuttle was provided at the Spring meeting. Quite a few people used it. It will continue to be used through the Fall quarter.

Rich Engel, Assistant Vice-Chancellor of Alumni Relations, has volunteered to get alcohol permits for us. This will make a big difference to us, as they are a registered non-profit.

Rich has also volunteered to let us use their online registration this year for events and membership, as well as volunteered to cover the costs for us.

Sue will not be leading a Spring 2016 trip this year. She will possibly lead a trip in 2017 to Belgium and Holland.

Sue passed out a paper requesting volunteers to sign up for the Retiree Resource Fair. Two hundred people have registered. She also requested feedback on how much people should pay for the Fall Fest. Paradise Valley Estates will provide the catering.
The Carlton will sponsor the Holiday Luncheon this year, providing $1,000 to be applied towards the cost of food. They wish to be recognized as a sponsor.

The Fall 2015 CUCRA/CUCEA meeting will be held at the Alumni Center October 28-29. There will be representatives from all UC campuses, approximately 60 people. Board members can sit in if they wish.

**Continuing Business**

Web Page Task Force – Dave Shelby reported on the Web Page Task Force. There are still three separate activity pages. They are working on combining them as one. This will be much easier to navigate. It will also set the stage for the Retiree Center website update, so it won’t be separate. Dave asked for suggestions or revisions needed. There were several compliments, especially that the new web page is easier to navigate. EA paved the way, and Marjorie was a major help.

**New Business**

Accessibility Map – Maggie Ahern reported on her attendance at the DIAC, disability committee meetings. They are currently making plans for the arboretum, making changes so they are sure the disabled can have access. There was much discussion about various plans and architectural designs to let the disabled know they can fit in on campus.

She also reported on the new scholarship recipient. It is Juanita Braxton. She has been invited to the Fall meeting.

CUCRA Meeting Report – Rick reported on the CUCRA meeting since Ted Hillyer was absent. Rick explained that they meet 2 times a year. There is 1 joint meeting, and 1 separate meeting. There is also a joint benefits committee. The next meeting will be held in April in San Diego.

Rick then talked about our UC health insurance. David Kraus from OP is in charge of taking a look at our UC health insurance. The proposal is for UC to become a self-funded entity, providing services from our own resources. OP projects 10% savings, approximately $200 million in savings. Currently UC is both a provider and purchaser of health care. There was much discussion on the issue. Our concerns were we want to have a choice, and how can our choices be sustained. Janet felt strongly that we need to have an action plan, and that we need to do more than go through CUCRA. RA and EA both need to understand the issues. We will discuss further at the fall meeting in order to attempt to make an impact on getting our thoughts across to OP.

Janet also discussed the new Communications Special Task Force. She is identifying people to participate. The proposal is to replace the publications committee with this task force.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:45 p.m.

Submitted by
Linda Vieira, Secretary