UCDEA Emeriti Welfare Committee

Annual Report

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I am pleased to report that there are three new members of the Emeriti Welfare Committee: Donald Nevins, Plant Science CAES, Karl Menges, German, L & S, and Zuhair Munir, Chemical Engineering and Materials Science, COE. The Committee met on February 14, 2012 to discuss the mission of the committee, the proposal to have Regential Recognition of Emeriti and Retiree Associations, and up coming issues such as a renewal of parking privileges in 2013.

The Chair of the Committee, at the request of the Chair of the Council of UC Emeriti Associations (CUCEA), Ernest Neubrun, met with Robert Powell, Vice Chair of the Academic Council about the status of the proposal to gain University Recognition of Emeriti and Retiree Associations. The University Committee on Faculty Welfare has some concerns about the proposal as it was originally drafted. It was decided that it would be easier to incorporate the emeriti and retiree associations into Regents Policy 5203: Policy on Support Groups, Campus Foundations, and Alumni Associations. On March 26, 2012, President Yudof has sent a letter to the Chancellors that emeriti and retiree associations effective immediately will be considered "Affiliated Organizations" as defined by Regents Policy 5203. As affiliated organizations the emeriti and retiree associations will qualify for event liability insurance coverage.

A new issue that will be monitored by the Emeriti Welfare Committee is the establishment by Vice President – Human Resources, Dwaine Duckett, of a new task force to look as ways to stabilize Health Care Costs for active employees and retirees. The task force is made up of members of UCOP but does include Robert May, chair of the University Committee on Faculty Welfare's Health Care Task Force. Professor May is a member of the UC Davis faculty. Vice President Duckett's Task Force was recently formed and has not issued any statements to indicate what approaches they will explore.

Respectfully submitted.

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