Minutes of the UCDEA Executive Committee Meeting
April 9, 2009 at I-House

Present: McCalla (chair), Costantini, Hess, Rains, Rost, Schultz, Walters, Webster, Barnes, Ahl.

1. Announcements — New meeting time: 10 a.m. Alex also gave a recap of the retiree parking permit project
2. Minutes — approved as presented.
3. Retiree Center report (Barnes) — The current challenge at the Retiree Center is the Center’s space/location, which is being reviewed by the Center’s Advisory Committee.
4. Retirees’ Assoc. Report (Schultz) — The Retirees’ Association will be holding a New Retiree’s Reception for all new retirees. Keynote speakers have been identified from both the campus and the Health System. The event will be free to all new retirees (staff or faculty) and one guest. Members of the EA Board are welcome to attend. This will take place from 5-7 p.m. on Monday, June 15, 2009.
5. Senate Emeriti Committee Liaison (Rost)—a new emeriti website is up and available for all emeriti. It contains links relating to issues of emeriti. The website address is http://emeriti.ucdavis.edu. Rost reported that the committee recommends a bio-bibliography survey be conducted every few years. Hess reported that this takes place every two years through CUCEA, and a book of results from all campuses is compiled. Walters asked for a discussion about people being missed on the “In Memoriam” section of the EmeriTimes. It was suggested that a letter could be sent to departments telling them to inform the Senate and the president of the Emeriti Association if someone dies.
6. Membership (Walters)—389 members; includes four new life members; no change in annual or associate member counts. 24 Annual members have not paid for 2008-2009. Some discussion about people who do not pay dues, and how to follow up. Hess suggested sending a bill when it is time to renew.
7. Financial report (Walters)—Goldman unable to attend; report presented.
8. Committee reports
   a. Program (Rains)—reviewed April and May presentations. Rost will hold a Program Committee meeting in May to discuss next year’s program.
   b. Awards (McCalla)—no report; Rochin nomination for Panunzio Award went forward.
   c. Committee on Committees (CoC) (Costantini)—recommends changes to the By-laws to add the position of Archivist; Ed reviewed the language. The change will be included in the EmeriTimes and added to Agenda of Spring Business Meeting to be voted upon. Ed also presented the slate for
the ballot; Tom Sallee to be Member-at-Large; Barbara Webster will serve
as chair of the Welfare Committee. Tom Rost and Anne Gray will co-
chair the Program Committee. Ed Rhode will chair the Awards and
Recognition Committee. Nora McGuiness will chair the editorial board.
The Executive Committee endorsed the slate of officers and approved
chairs as recommended.
The CoC would recommend that descriptions of committees and
responsibilities be documented in the Association records. A question of
who sends the list of committee members to the chair was raised
(historically the chair is responsible for recruiting members). The CoC
also recommended that there be consideration of a Parliamentarian.
Discussion ensued, and the Committee Chairs and members will be
included in the spring EmeriTimes and also added to the web.

d. Video (McCalla)—Goss had begun to review the first 100 videos that
were converted from VHS to CD. Thus far he has reviewed 24, of which
only 12 are archival quality. Only interviews after #236 are DVDs; those
prior have been in other media and will require conversions to remain
available to current technology.
The Centennial Video History project will consist of 21 DVD’s
approximately one hour each in length, thanks to the work of Bill
Breidenbach and Verne Mendel. 3 are at Mediaworks and are ready for
the website (Centennial and Emeriti Association). 5 are ready to go to
Mediaworks. 5 more have completed production work, are awaiting the
narrative. Thus 13 should be totally finished within two weeks. 5 more
are compiled, awaiting review, of which 3 have easy edits, and 2 require
major edits. The final three need to be constructed; clips have already been
identified and captured. The anticipated completion date is end of May or
early June.

9. Other Business
a. Resolution for Vanderhoef – McCalla read the resolution, and the
Executive Committee concurred. It is now ready for letterhead. It will be
presented to the chancellor at the Steak Bake. McCalla asked that the
resolution be included in the EmeriTimes so that all members could see it.
b. Meetings henceforth will begin at 10:00; there will be no meetings in June
or September.

10. New Business
a. Gift for the Chancellor – McCalla advised the group that when Virginia
Hinshaw left, the Emeriti Association joined with the Retirees’
Association in presenting a gift to commemorate her work at the campus.
The Retirees’ Association has asked if the Emeriti wish to do so for the
Chancellor. Charley Hess motioned that the Association designate $150
for a gift. Ed Costantini seconded, and the motion passed.
b. Joint Newsletters – McCalla has been asked to consider the idea of joining
with the Retirees’ Association in producing a single newsletter. Both
associations’ Bylaws require that three newsletters be produced each year.
Often much of the information contained is quite similar. McCalla asked
for comments. McGuinness noted that the two audiences are somewhat different, but that information about events, benefits, or the retirement plan is the same. Separate information unique to each of the associations could be segregated to a corner for each association. There seemed to be a willingness to explore the possibility. It was noted that the Retirees’ Association has a Public Relations committee, and the publications fall within its responsibilities.

c. Bob Kerr approached McCalla to spread the word about two funds established to commemorate the chancellor. Discussion ensued, and it was decided that McCalla would include information on giving to these funds through the EmeriTimes.

d. Barnes asked for feedback regarding the possibility of using dual pricing for events, beginning with the Steak Bake. The associations often underwrite losses on events, and dual pricing would be one way of acknowledging the value of membership in one or both of the organizations. It might also promote membership. There was general agreement that this would be a good policy for future center events.

e. Hess reported that an Archivist for CUCEA had been settled.

f. Space for the Retiree Center is still up for decision. The Retiree Center Advisory Committee is addressing this challenge.

11. The meeting was adjourned at 11:35 a.m. It was noted that the May meeting will begin at 10:00 a.m., and will be followed by the Noon Talk, and the Spring Annual Business Meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Marjorie Ahl