

UCDEA Executive Committee
Thursday, May 8, 2008
Hagan Room, I-House, 1:00 P.M.

Members Present: Walters (Chair), Goldman, Halferty, Costantini, Faulkin, Rains, Lacy, Goss, Hess, Wydick, Swinehart, Webster, Ahl (for Strnad)

1. Announcements by the Chair: Walters continues to monitor the progress of people who retired without seeking emeritus status and now wish to be in the emeritus ranks. Walters also announced that the web page for APM 120 relating to retiring academics seeking emeritus status has been corrected to permit application for emeritus status at any time.
2. Minutes of April 10, 2008 meeting were approved as amended to show proposed members of 2008-2009 Executive Board. See report of Committee on Committees (below).
3. The Retiree Center Report was presented by Ahl for Strnad. (Attachment 1.)
4. The Retiree Advisory Committee report was presented by Charles Lacy. There will be a rotation of members of the Advisory Board, with Charley Hess stepping down as past president, Alex McCalla representing UCDEA as president while Dick Walters stays on as past president, and Gary Schultz represents UCDEA as president, while Bob Halferty will serve as past president. The final meeting of the Advisory Board will be June 20 and will be held at UC Davis Medical Center.
5. Halferty presented the Retiree Association Report. At the business meeting on May 5 the by-laws were amended to include the President of the UCDEA as an ex-officio member of the UCDEA Executive Committee. The slate of officers for 2008-09 was presented and approved with Gary Schultz as the new President. Following the business meeting, the UCDEA and UCDEA co-sponsored Lor Shepard, Sr. Lecturer, SOE, Emeritus, Agricultural and Resource Economics, speaking on "Applying Investment Principles in Scary Times." The meeting was well attended by an appreciative audience. It was the consensus that money management and health issues get the largest turnouts of emeriti and retirees. A tour of the Schaal Aquatic Center was available following the meeting.
6. Report of the Senate Executive Committee was presented by Walters for Jackman. There is a continuing effort to have accurate lists of retirees and emeriti. One problem is that "lump sum" retirees "disappear" from the records since they have no continuing tie to the University benefits programs. It is hoped that using Microsoft Excel to compare old lists of employees to current lists will reveal those that have retired. Representatives from the Office of the President spoke on current efforts to "outsource" retirement programs. These efforts will continue to be monitored since they are of great concern to retirees and emeriti.

The committee will again write a memo to the Chancellor requesting that he revive his annual letter to department chairs asking that departments to their best to provide space and other resources to their productive emeritus faculty members. This tradition

likely dates back to a 1991 policy statement from President Gardner that was appended to APM-120.

7. Membership update was presented by Ahl.

| <u>Membership Report</u> | |
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| Annual Members | 134 |
| Lifetime | 169 |
| Associate | <u>61</u> |
| Total | 364 |

8. The Financial Report was presented by Shirley Goldman.

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| Bank of America Account #07038-1578 | |
| Balance brought forward as of 2/19/2008 | \$17,857.88 |
| Credits | |
| Memberships | 200.00 |
| Interest | 0.72 |
| Debits | |
| Computer, video, meeting expenses | <u>1,384.24</u> |
| Closing Balance as of 3/20/2008 | <u>\$16,674.36</u> |

9. Committee Reports

- Program Committee report was given by Rains. The first and second luncheon meetings in September and October have tentatively been scheduled, as well as the Madrigal Singers in December. The chairman welcomes any suggestions by members about possible future speakers.
- Committee on Committees report was given by Costantini. Board nominees for the 2008-2009 Following are:

President: Alex McCalla (current VP)
Vice President: Graham Gall
Treasurer: Shirley Goldman
Secretary: Peter Hayes
Representatives-at-large: Al Harrison, Barbara Webster

Committee Chairs:

Committee on Committees: Ed Costantini
Program & Agenda: Bill Rains
University & Public Relations: Charles Lacy
Emeriti Welfare: Lyn Lofland
Video Records: John Goss
Editorial (& editor of *EmeriTimes*): Nora McGuinness
Awards & Recognition: James Swinehart
Membership: Dick Walters

- Video Records Committee; John Goss reported that there has been a degradation of some archived tapes such that they are no longer playable. he is

investigating ways that this problem might be ameliorated/resolved. The committee will meet May 19 to discuss future interview plans.

- Awards Committee: Jim Swinehart reported that there has been a decline in applicants for different awards, and that to date, none have been received for the Dickson award. After discussion, it was suggested that Dick Walters sent out a reminder to the UCDEA email list, inviting people to apply. that message was sent May 12.

Post-Meeting Addendum: A May 12, 2008 e-mail message from Walters states:

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I would like to call to your attention the announcement in the spring EmeriTimes regarding the Edward A Dickson Emeriti award, offered annually to a UCD emeritus/a whose contributions to the campus, their profession or to public service merits special recognition. The award carries with it a stipend of \$9,000-10,000 that can be used for categories such as salary, supplies or travel. We know of many contributions made by our emeriti/ae, and we hope that some of you will come forward with proposals to support your ongoing contributions. It is easy to overlook such a possible source of support, and we hope that this note will stimulate you to think about ways you might put together a brief statement of what you propose to do and how you would use the proposed stipend.

The guidelines for submitting a proposal are that the proposal should be "in accordance with the intent of the donor for support of teaching, research, and/or public service. For example, the funds could be used to explore new ideas in research, teaching and/or public service." The Committee will place highest priority on proposals that clearly benefit the campus and for which funding is not available from other sources. Proposals should be concise, but with enough detail that the Committee will have sufficient information to evaluate the proposal.

Please respond to Jim Swinehart, Chair of the UCDEA Awards Committee, by June 30, 2008. We look forward to recommending one of you for this award which provides support from Sept 1, 2008 through August 31, 2009. If you have questions, please contact him at jhswinehart@ucdavis.edu.

The General Meeting will be May 22, 2008, at I-House. Business meeting will be 2-3 P.M., followed by a talk by Elizabeth Applegate.

The next meeting of the Executive Meeting will be the second Thursday in September, (September 11, 2008). Time and place will be announced.

Respectfully submitted,

Leslie J. Faulkin
5/19/2008

Attachment 1

Status Report 5-08-08

To: Emeriti Executive Committee

From: Doreen Barcellona Strnad/UC Davis Retiree Center

Events:

1. Picnic Day/April 19th: OLLI, blood pressure check, DA Office, Calvin Handy
2. Steak Bake: 24 signed up
3. Centennial sub-committees:
 - a. Social event – Friday, Oct. 10th, 2008 (October Fest @ The Pub/Silo)
 - b. Tennis tournament – October 10, 11 & 12th; meeting with committee again on 5/19th

New Retiree Center Projects:

1. “Retiree Work Opportunity” program; Irene Day will have final version of new form in time for May 16th meeting of the Advisory Committee
2. OLLI (Osher Lifelong Learning Institute): was represented at the 5/05/08 RA General Meeting; interested in getting emeriti involved as instructors (ok to send out request to the EA list serve?)
3. Centennial film project: Verne Mendel has hired one student

Misc:

1. Attended 3 “TGFS” events this week; awards breakfast & picnic at the med center, picnic on the Davis campus
2. “Staying Sharp” (Brain Health); an initiative by NRTA (educational department of AARP); attend seminar/workshop in San Francisco on May 15th & 17th where-by I would train to be an ambassador of this program, in turn training others
3. Attended joint CUCRA/CUCEA meeting at UC Riverside on April 17th
4. TRiO Scholars mentorship picnic on May 27th; both new and established mentors are invited to attend.