

## UCDEA EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Thursday, Nov. 10, 2011

10:00 – 11:15 a.m.

International House

### Minutes

Present: Rains (Chair), Plant, Hays, Boorkman, Harrison, McGuinness, Lacy, Hillyer, Costantini, Breidenbach, Hess, Walters, McCalla, Jackman, Barnes

1. Announcements—The chair introduced new member-at-large, Richard Plant, and the committee members then introduced themselves.
2. The list of Board contacts was distributed for members to check the accuracy of the information.
3. Minutes of last month's meeting approved as distributed.
4. Retiree Center report (Barnes)—The Tailgate Party was cosponsored with the Cal Aggie Assoc. Only 14 retirees attended. For the Fall General meeting there were complaints about parking. The 5<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Retiree center was celebrated, and there were about 200 in attendance. The holiday lunch and the Madrigals will be at our next, our Dec. 7, meeting. The Center, along with HR will offer 5 Transition to Retirement classes for academic and staff soon-to-be retirees. And, the Mind-Body Wellness Challenge is expanding with more sponsorship.
5. Retiree Center Advisory Committee (Rains)—The Center will eventually have to move out of its current offices, and Rains and Barnes are looking for suitable space, perhaps larger offices in the Buehler Alumni Center; for the time being, the Video Group will be staying in the basement of Mrak Hall. The RCAC is meeting quarterly.
6. Retirees' Association Report (Hillyer)—All Board positions have been filled. Kate Mawdsley is co-editor of *Campus Connections*. Changes will be made to their accounting procedures to align with university policy. They are accepting nominees for Picnic Day honors.
7. Senate Exec. Committee Liaison/Emeriti Welfare (Hess)—Emeriti status for staff was examined; Senate confirmation is not required. Faculty recall will be examined next week, to formalize current policy of 43% annually and one-year contracts in order to protect Medicare benefits (exceptions can be made). The procedures for lecturers to become emeriti are muddy and need clarification.
8. Archivist (Boorkman)—no report
9. Treasurer (Rains)—accepted as presented.
10. Committees
  - a. Membership (Walters) 8 annual members switched to lifetime membership, plus 2 new lifetime members; some, unfortunately, died during the year. 37 annual have not renewed, and those who have not paid for 2 years will be removed from membership.
  - b. Awards and Recognition (Harrison)—Good pool for the Panunzio Award; more than 6 candidates. There is another pool of good candidates for the Distinguished Emeritus/a Award; there may be 2 awards this year.
  - c. Committee on Committees (Jackman)—announced the appointment of Richard Plant as Merna Villarejo's replacement.
  - d. Editorial (McGuinness)—met with her co-editor of *Campus Connections*. They plan

- again a 4-page insert into the Retirees' Assoc. Newsletter and are asking for material.
- e. Program (Rains)—they are all scheduled but one for the year. Suggested topics were the future development of the university or the future of athletics at UCD.
  - f. Public Relations (Lacy)—examining our relationship with University Development: what exactly is the role of retirees and our organization? These will be questions for the new Vice-Chancellor of Development, Shaun Keister when he meets with us next month. Lacy also asked the Committee on Committees to appoint more members; currently there are only 2; but he asked to postpone securing new members until the meeting with Keister.
  - g. Video (Breidenbach)—the committee will meet next week to discuss a detailed report (distributed at the Exec. Com. Meeting). Only 11 videos have been recorded so far in 2011. Breidenbach asked for \$1500-1800 to be forwarded from next year's budget for the purchase of equipment and supplies. The motion was made, seconded, and passed.
11. Continuing Business—The meeting with Vice-Chancellor Keister will be next month, Dec. 7, at the Buehler Center, prior to the performance of the Madrigals. Rains asked the committee to submit questions to Barnes for Keister's consideration. Walters asked about the progress toward making the Retirees' and Emeriti Associations campus organizations (which they currently are not).
12. New Business—Hess discussed the former chancellors' letter suggesting that tuition be raised to \$24,000, while using the state's contribution for financial aid. CUCEA is discussing the issue; it needs detailed examination by the committee before we can take a position on it.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:22.

Respectfully submitted

Peter L. Hays