

UCDEA EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Thursday, May 10, 2012

10:00 – 11:15 a.m.

International House

Minutes

Present: Rains, Barnes, Boorkman, Briedenbach, Dobris, Flocchini, Halferty, Harrison, Hess, Hillyer, Jackman, Lacy, Lofland, McCalla, McGuinness, Sallee, Smiley, Vohs, Walters

- 1) Announcements – new members introduced, continuing members self-introduced.
- 2) Minutes of last month's meeting – with correction of 5c to read "will meet 4/25," Smiley moved and Hillyer seconded approval.
- 3) Retiree Center Report – Barnes
 - a. The Center will move to the main floor of the Alumni Center during July and August. Complex includes 4 individual offices, 2 work spaces, and a lobby area.
 - b. Openings remain for the legacy program; the Steak-Bake registration is open; a sign-up sheet for volunteers for the New Retirees Reception was circulated; volunteers and campus partners will be invited to the year-end luncheon;
 - c. Registration forms for up-coming trips will be circulated during lunch.
- 4) Retirees Association – Hillyer – Dan Walters will be the guest speaker at the meeting next Monday; a general membership meeting and elections will follow his talk.
- 5) Report from Academic Senate Liaison/Emeriti Welfare – Hess
 - a. The Senate/Emeriti Welfare Committee will meet on May 19.
 - b. Attended a forum at which the Chancellor responded to the special committee report and provided a "lame" excuse for her actions. There was also a report from a member of the committee and that was followed by an open mike session. One speaker condemned the Senate for its condemnation of the Chancellor.
 - c. The Chancellor was asked if she had her responses/decisions to do over would she do the same things. She responded, no.
- 6) Archivist – Boorkman – Send everything you have (e.g. annual reports) to her.
- 7) Financial Report – Sallee – One correction on handout report (see attached): the Ending Balance as of 4/20/2012 should be \$16,928.38, not \$19,759.74.
- 8) Committee Reports
 - a. Membership – Walters - see attached.
 - b. Awards and Recognition – Harrison
 1. The annual report is almost done, some additional information still needed.
 2. People have been asking to see the proposals but Harrison has questions about the propriety of this. Some have suggested that a binder of successful proposals could be made available but he thinks this is unwise. So how to help applicants since criteria for success are not hard and fast? Could do a brief description of topics that come up in decision discussions and the committee's responses. For example, requests for summer money simply for thinking merits a "no"; but a proposal that has a definite plan and requests \$\$s for specific needs would get a "yes." Similarly, a proposal simply to hire a graduate student over the summer would not be funded while one that identified specific needs for summer salary would be. So what the committee might do is prepare a report that provides examples like these. Also, next year should provide applicants with more guidance on what the application should look like—for example, how long and what needs to be covered. Such guidance is especially needed for the Dickson which has a new annual amount of \$25,000 available for distribution.
 - c. Committee on Committees – Jackman/Smiley – Nominated Bob Flocchini to succeed Winfried Schleiner as Program Committee chair. Nominated the following slate of

- officers for 2012-2013 to be voted on at the Annual Membership meeting: President, John Vohs; Vice President, Lyn Lofland; Secretary, Peter Hays; Treasurer, Tom Sallee; Archivist, Jo Anne Boorkman; Member-at-Large (2012-2014), Richard Plant. Nominated Joel Dobris to fill the vacant Member-At-Large (2011-2013) position created by the move of Lofland to the office of Vice President. Committee is functioning well and has no suggestions for changes.
- d. Editorial – McGuinness – Committee has not met.
 - e. Program and Agenda – Schleiner – New co-chair will present the report later.
 - 1. (The report was made by new co-chair from the Retiree Association, Sandy Filby, later in the meeting.) Audience for noon talks decreased by about 25% this past year. We suggest that future talks (1) be co-sponsored by EA and RA; (2) that RA board meetings be moved to Thursdays, after the noon talks; (3) that the number of talks be decreased by two, and (4) that all talks be advertised to the general campus. Sue Barnes suggested that this proposal be sent to the Retiree Center as a decision will be needed by June. Also, if the talks are open to a larger group, a larger room will be needed, possibly move to the AGR room. The proposal was agreed to on a one-year trial basis beginning in January. Hess moved to reduce the speakers by the recommended two. Passed.
 - 2. Suggestions for possible speakers were invited.
 - f. University and Public Relations – Lacy – The committee (Lacy, John Goss, Lou Gravetti and Drew Manning) met. Discussed possible names to get the committee to a full complement of eight. Reviewed and had broad discussion of committee’s charge. One possible issue for future discussion: regential governance. Open to suggestions for other issues to consider and would like to meet with the president and incoming president to address this.
 - g. Video – Breidenbach/McCalla – Continuing efforts to recruit new interviewees. Currently showing interviews on DCTV, going from newest to oldest. Have a question regarding who from the Retiree Association should be interviewed. Motion made to have the RA executive committee serve as a source of nominations for interviews. Motion passed. Old VHS tapes are now mostly on DVDs. In the transition, a few were “lost” or rendered “marginal.” The completion of the transfers will take some time.
- 9) Continuing business
- a. Report on 2020 Initiative, Academic Resources – Hess – Re the question raised about whether the city of Davis has been brought into the discussions, the answer is, yes. There have been briefing sessions with city, county, and other groups. Resources task force met yesterday: talked about how to frame FTE proposals—what should the distribution of faculty be, how to weigh importance of such elements as teaching/research/etc. Hope to have a report by the end of this quarter. That report will be combined with other reports and submitted to the campus in the fall. Also talked about the composition of the proposed 5,500 increase in students; means more non-California and non-US students but what proportion of the total student body should be in those categories. Sallee asked about group’s thinking re instructional methods under conditions of such a large increase: use of TV and/or on-line instruction, for example.]
 - b. Report on 2020 Initiative, Enrollment Management – McCalla – Have been discussing the proposed increase in foreign student enrollment from the current 350-400 to the planned 3,250 and asking what will be involved in such a large increase. Clearly ESL offerings will be critical, though the budget for this was cut last year. No question that significant money is going to be required. Among other problems, is the lack of large lecture space.
There is a degree of restiveness in the group over the increase seemingly being a fait

- accomplish and there is concern over what, if any, impact task-force reports will have. Strong recommendation that there be no reduction of services to current students.
- c. Report on 2020 Initiative, Facilities – Halferty – A new 15,000 gross square foot classroom building for the campus would cost approximately \$10.3 million to build. The annual debt service on this project would be about \$670,000 (principal and interest payments on a 30-year debt) and the annual operating expenses of the building (utilities, custodial, refuse, building maintenance, fire protection and grounds maintenance) would be an estimated \$135,000. Therefore, it is assumed that the total annual cost of the building would total \$805,000.
 - i. The annual operating tradeoffs for the new classroom building would be any of the following:
 - ii. 5.7 faculty positions (average annual faculty salary and benefits is \$141,578; $\$805,000/\$141,578=5.7$)
 - iii. 9.3 staff positions (average staff salary and benefits is \$86,859; $\$805,000/\$86,859=9.3$)
 - iv. 17.5 TA positions (average TA salary for 3 quarters is \$45,834; $\$805,000/\$45,834=17.5$)
 - v. Library costs for 1,134 students (library costs per student total \$710; $\$805,000/\$710=1,134$)
 - vi. These tradeoff costs were provided to task force members to show how the cost of a classroom building translates to campus operating options. The new classroom building could be a Geidt Hall-like facility with three 200-station lecture halls and two 40-station classrooms.
 - vii. Looked at international student organizations. Asian student groups dominate, as is typical at U.S. universities. Few European students and only a small number from South America.
 - viii. Discussed student services with students present and asked about biggest problems with those services. Two mentioned: long lines at food facilities and at beginning of term and some other times, long lines at bookstore.
 - ix. Explored costs for new facilities. One estimate of \$10.3 million for a new instructional building (providing classroom space).
 - x. The first floor of the library is already heavily used and would require \$85 to \$100 million to rewire for student computer use.
 - xi. Overall, already too low on research space so an increase in the size of campus will be costly, especially given current lack of computer classrooms. Concerned about the relation of these significant additional expenses to the current bond limit.
 - d. AROHE membership – Barnes – Move to join AROHE for 2012 - 13 passed. Sue to become president in January; Suggested that EA might want to send a representative to the upcoming AROHE conference in Chapel Hill, NC, October 21 – 24.
- 10) New Business.
- a. The Fall meeting is scheduled for Friday, November 9, 1:45 – 4:30 p.m., conference center. Program ideas are welcomed.
 - b. CUCRA/CUCEA meeting report – Bill Rains – will send in report later.
 - c. Annual reports & oral business meeting reports – Bill Rains – Oral reports will be given at today's afternoon meeting. Written reports are due July 1.
 - d. Retiree Art Show – Barnes – survey showed an interest among retirees, so she will organize a committee to look into options. University Retirement Community is interested in co-sponsoring and in providing food.