

Draft Minutes of the UCDEA Executive Committee Meeting

September 12, 2013

UC Davis Alumni Center, West Conference Room

Present: Vohs (chair), Boorkman, Breidenbach, Dobris, Raines, Smiley, Lacy, A. McCalla, P. McCalla, Sallee, Lofland, Barnes, Nora McGuinness, Dick Walters

1. No announcements.
3. Minutes were approved.
4. UCDDA Report (P. McCalla): Described plans for today's meeting. Agenda includes (a) long range planning; (b) announcement of change in dealing with committee reports: committee chairs to submit written reports which will be circulated to members in advance; discussion only if needed/requested; c) issue of EA Board participation in picnic day carriage [later decision that EA would not participate]; d) considering non-profit status, requesting a member from the EA board to serve: Joel Dobris and Nora McGuinness appointed.
5. Retiree Center Update (Barnes): newsletter about to be issued; 143 registered for Fall Fest on October 19, if want to attend, register soon; the Sierra Wine & Flowers trip was cancelled; Sue had to drop out of her leadership role in the Panama trip as she was informed that her acting as leader would constitute a conflict of interest; Barnes will set up a Dropbox account for sharing of meeting materials in the future.
6. Archives (Boorkman): The library is "capturing" web pages from campus groups for archiving. Request that we look at EA web pages and see if want additional materials. Feedback needed, hopefully by next meeting. Vohs and Barnes advocate a more thorough look at the UCDEA web presence. Vohs appoints Boorkman, Sallee and Breidenbach, with the assistance of Marjorie Ahl, to a committee to review the EA uses of the web. A member of the RA Board will be invited to participate in this project. (Post-session note: this person is Deanna Falge-Pritchard.)
7. Financial Report (Sallee): Income situation about the same as this time last year but expect over the year we will be down about \$1500 since Atria can no longer cater events. Sue suggests that for no charge events, we can use paid staff to pour wine. Also if we had non-profit status, we could operate cash bars.
8. Committee Reports.
 - a. Membership (Walters): numbers on membership report are accurate; there are a number of newly awarded emeriti titles (to non-Senate folks) which adds to the pool of possible members.
 - b. Awards and Recognition (Rains): nine proposals from the social and life sciences for the Dickson Award were submitted; four were chosen. Executive committee approved all recommendations. Hope to get more Davis self-nominated applications for the system-wide Panzuno Award (humanities and social sciences only).
 - c. Committee on Committees (Jackman/Smiley): have been looking for an additional member of the program committee: John Vohs volunteered.
 - d. Editorial (McGuinness): newsletter is just now going to press; contains lots of interesting materials from UCDDA as well as calls for award nominations. Should be out around 10/9.
 - e. Program and Agenda (Vohs): Programs are set through February; still working on March, April, and May.

- f. University and Public Relations (Lacy): a meeting though only with two people (Grivetti and Lacy). The plans for mentoring athletes are stymied by rules from athletic associations and others; no room for such activity on campus, though rules require a campus location. Looking into other possibilities such as mentoring freshmen. Also considering the establishment of a speakers bureau if there is any interest in our doing so. This will require further deliberation.
 - g. Video Records (Breidenbach/McCalla): Did 3 interviews in Sept., 3 more scheduled. Large number of potential interviewees have said they'd schedule in the fall. In future, will try to schedule people shortly after retirement having learned that waiting numerous years increases likelihood of interviewees' memory failures. Also looking for a new member who can do the scheduling.
9. Senate and Campus involvement:
- a. Emeriti Welfare (Hess). Hess not present, no report.
 - b. Community Council (Lofland): 6-21: report of the Dutton Hall occupation; report from the Post-Incident [pepper spray] reform committee; report from the Senate Administrative Oversight Special Committee [re pepper spray]. All three reports generally positive re changes in procedures. 7-22: welcome center tour, update on med center labor actions, report on ombudsman. 9-12: update on VC/Dean recruitment, video surveillance cameras in Dutton Hall, introduction of WFC Asst. Director, convocation update.
10. Continuing Business (not all items covered and actual order of items not identical to agenda order or to ordering in these minutes).
- a. Consideration of Emeriti College proposal. Vohs proposed the following motion: "We will table any further consideration of a proposal for an Emeriti College until the Executive Committee receives a reasonably detailed outline of how an EC would be established, how it would operate and how it would be an improvement over the present situation with the Emeriti Association." Motion passed unanimously.
 - c. Fall Fest (Barnes): Volunteers to set up, cook, serve, clean up etc. will be requested. Also, we may need wine donations. Next year will offer free attendance only to EA members.
11. New Business.
- a. Coffee with Campus Leaders (Vohs): We will be scheduling 9:00 a.m. sessions with EA board members and campus leaders on the days of our regular meetings. John Meyer is the first and is scheduled for November. Others being considered: McKenzie Smith, Sean Keister, and Harris Lewin. Members of the RA board will be invited to participate.
 - b. New name for noon talks (Vohs): "Brainfood Talks."
 - c. Holiday Luncheon (Vohs, Barnes): Will be raising the price to \$20 per person.
 - d. 2013-2014 Budget (Sallee): Situation about the same as last year though underestimated video costs. There is an increase to the cost of the New Retirees' Reception.