UCDEA Executive Committee Meeting minutes 10 Oct, 2013
at the Buehler Alumni Center West Conference Room

Present: Vohs (Chair), Raines, Lacy, Walters, Breidenbach, Lofland, Flocchini, Hamilton, Hays, Boorkman, McGuinness, Smiley, Barnes

The meeting commenced at 10:00 a.m.

1. Announcements—none

2. Minutes of previous meeting—accepted with addition of those present at previous meeting.

3. UCDRA Report (Hamilton)—Their group will hold a discussion later today on 501c3 requirements, as well as wiring the Buehler Center’s auditorium for those hard of hearing; they will also look at the number of activities members have participated in.

4. Retiree Center Update (Barnes)—There have been many calls about the forthcoming health plans. Barnes distributed flyers for the February trip to the Oakland Museum and Berkeley sake plant. She will soon send out a call for volunteers for a speakers’ bureau.

5. Archivist (Boorkman)—no report.

6. Financial Report (Sallee)—accepted as distributed. Vohs discussed the steadily decreasing treasury and the need to address that decline.

7. Committee Reports
   a. Membership (Walters)—Numbers available on the financial report; Walters has begun work on annual renewals.
   b. Awards and recognition (Rains)—Dickson awardees notified. Rains wants to start both the Dickson award process and the award itself earlier next year. Nominations for distinguished emeritus/a due Nov. 15, for the Panunzio award Nov. 19.
   c. Committee on Committees (Smiley)—no report
   d. Editorial (McGuinness)—Campus Connections out by email today; the mail version has already been sent.
   e. Program (Flocchini)—the program, except for two slots, has been set. Flocchini would like to get Liz Applegate for one and a film scholar for the other.
   f. University and Public relations (Lacy)—The committee meeting is Tuesday.
   g. Video (Breidenbach)—They just completed a two-hour session with Bob Kerr, Bob Franks, and Stan Nosek.
   h. Senate and Campus Involvement
   i. Emeriti Welfare—no report
   j. Campus Community Council (Lofland)—a meeting is scheduled but has no agenda; it seems to be running out of steam. Vohs said there should be a mechanism for closing down no-longer useful committees.
k. Freedom of Expression Committee (Hays)—Holding public forums to receive input on draft policy. Many feel that there’s too much emphasis on restrictions and not enough on free, dissenting speech.

8. Continuing Business
   a. Annual reports of standing committees (Vohs)—one or two still due.
   b. Coffee with campus leaders (Vohs)—John Meyer will be with us in November at 9:00, Shaun Keister in January, MacKenzie Smith in February. Harris Lewin has been invited, but is frequently away from campus. Who else should be invited: Katehi, Hexter, a student leader?
   c. Website committee has been formed to improve looks and accessibility of the website for the Retiree center and its two organizations.
   d. Fall Fest (Barnes)—It will be held at Putah Creek Lodge, with an overflow attendance if weather is nice. (Grounds’ rules do not allow their tables to be put on the grass.)

9. New Business
   a. Board meetings (Vohs)—We will meet in the Conference Center, 2nd floor, starting in January, but Brain Food talks will still be held in the Alumni center.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:53.

Respectfully submitted,

Peter L. Hays