Draft Minutes of the UCDEA Executive Committee Meeting, Sept. 29, 2016, in the Conference Center

Present: Boorkman (Chair), Dobris, Rucker, Klein, Smiley, Parsons, Vohs, Hays, Hess, Rains, Breidenbach, Heard.

The meeting began at 10:17

1. Announcements—none

2. Minutes of the coffee chat with Interim Chancellor Hexter and of the UCDEA meeting that followed were accepted as distributed.

3. Retiree Center Update (Heard)—There seems to be a lack of engagement with new retirees. UC Irvine has a golf tournament and hiking program. Should we? She will do more interviews with other campuses.

4. Continuing business
   a. Retiree Center 10th Anniversary (Rucker)—Probably lunch before the 10/21 General Meeting, from 11:30-1:30 (Subsequently Heard announced that 3 weeks is too short a notice and that perhaps the celebration could precede the Holiday lunch.) Heard has no budget yet, but a lunch costs ca. $25. Can we afford to pay the fee for 17 past UCDEA and UCRA presidents (not all of whom would attend)? The board passed a motion to do so.
   b. AROHE Notes (Boorkman)—Should we make ourselves available to departments for advice to retirees on a one-to-one basis? Klein suggested working with VP Stanton to develop guidelines. That was moved and passed. Parsons said the Med School is doing this already. Breidenbach and Hays said that demand for such an arrangement had to come from the departments themselves. Should we have a Retiree Liaison, as UCLA has? Such a liaison could encourage departments to do so. Breidenbach also said that retiree advisors could encourage more to participate in video records. Vohs suggested our presence at new chairs’ orientation and to all deans. Breidenbach said that such communication should reflect Vohs’ survey. Plant Sciences holds receptions each year for retirees and publishes a directory of retiree names. English does not. Vohs moved to table the issue and asked for a description of UCLA’s liaison.
   c. Membership proposals (Vohs)—It was moved and passed that annual members automatically become life members after 10 years and that members over 90 years of age can stop paying dues.
   d. Organizational chart—no discussion

5. New business
   a. CUCEA meeting forthcoming at UCSC.
b. Hess wants us to write President Napolitano regarding the appointment of a new chancellor, perhaps assembling the comments of Hrdy, Vohs, Meyers and others. Hess wants the letter to reflect our concern, and also to insist on our presence. A letter is being drafted by Maril Stratton. Boorkman will distribute the letter electronically for comments to be returned by the end of next week.

The meeting adjourned at 11:30.

Respectfully submitted,

Peter L. Hays