Draft Minutes of the January 12 meeting of the UCDEA Executive Committee at the Conference Center


The meeting commenced at 10:05

1. Announcements (Boorkman)—Dave Shelby is retiring from presidency of the UCDRA for health treatments; John Meyer will succeed him. Charlie Hess has been hospitalized with septic shock. Sallee has heard about an electric classroom; one is at the Nursing School, and visits to it are available.

2. Minutes—accepted as distributed.

3. UCDRA Report—Charlie Hess has been selected as the Picnic Day honoree.

4. Retiree Center Update (Heard)—Transitioning to Retirement begins this week; there are 120 staff and 80 emeriti. Heard urged signups for the January 23 Emeriti luncheon and for the Feb. 2 MIND Institute UCDRA meeting. Scheduled trips include to Santa Rosa on Feb 23 for the Companion Animal Center and also the Charles Schultz Museum, on March 15 on campus for the Olive Oil tasting and tour of the Center, and April 25 to the Raptor Center. Heard also announced that Retiree Center updates will now be posted biweekly.

5. Archivist (Haughton)—He received compliments for putting our documents into Word, and was asked to wait to transfer them to Box.

6. Financial report—none, but the sub-committee on the endowment has met; no recommendation yet.

7. New Business
   a. Emeriti Liaison—Mau Stanton to consider the idea. Flocchini stated that such a tie might be better with the research office; Sallee didn’t think a problem existed. Hays asked whether those transitioning to retirement should be asked, and Biggart thought the question should be asked of all senior faculty.
   b. Calendar (Heard)—should the calendar be school year or standard? Should it be mailed to retirees? It will be posted online.

8. Committee Reports
   a. Membership (Vohs)—Close to 500. The medical group is moving incredibly slowly. There are 180 retired medical personnel, mostly staff. Engel said discussion has been on whether a Med center Retiree Center should be largely for med center people or simply RC East. There will be a report at next month’s meeting.
   b. Awards (Rains)—He thanked the committee for their expeditious vote on JaRue Manning as the next Distinguished Emeritus, who has developed an entirely new program since retiring. There are no nominations for the Panunzio award.
   c. Committee on Committees (Smiley)—They are engaged in planning for next year.
   d. Communications (McGuinness)—The committee has not met yet. What is their role? One function would be to tell CUCEA how emeriti are contributing. Vohs said that generating content should be the focus. Meyer suggested targeted quarters: one on health, one on retirement, one on politics. But he agreed that the Communications Committee should initiate content.
e. Program (Shackelford)—Dr. Stanhope will speak today about cardiovascular health, Manning in May. We might create themes for next year; suggestions should be sent to Shackelford.

f. Video records (Dobris)—The studio has been refurbished and new equipment is in place. There will be two interviews this month. Vohs said there should be more interviews done remotely, in people’s offices, labs, or homes, and the equipment needed for such remote shoots should be obtained.

9. Senate and University Involvement
   a. Emeriti Welfare (Brush)—Frank Samaniego is pushing for standardization of compensation for recalled faculty, and also for access to research funds for emeriti. There needs to be better communication of emeriti rights.
   b. Campus Community Council (Sallee)—They discussed undocumented students. Dreamers have provided the university with information that leaves them legally exposed. The administration has asked all dreamers abroad to return by Jan. 20. Sallee was impressed by the campus’s provisions for these students.
   c. CUCEA (Boorkman)—Items are needed for their newsletter.

Meeting adjourned at 11:29.

Respectfully submitted,

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