

## UCI Emeriti Association Executive Committee Meeting Minutes - February 13, 2014

Call to Order. The meeting of the executive committee was called to order by President Cal McLaughlin at 10 AM in Room C of the University Club. Present were Stuart Krassner, Ronald Miller, Judy Horn, Kenneth Dumars, Jen Yu, Barbara Hamkalo, Marilyn Soley, Peggy Maradudin, Ron Jevning, Dick Frank, Bob Folkenflik, Pamela Lawrence, Isabelle Hunt, Keith Nelson, Marianne Schnaubelt, and Jeri Frederick.

Minutes. The minutes of the meeting of January 9 were approved.

Awards Committee Report. Bob Folkenflik submitted the recommendation of the Awards Committee that Rein Taagepera be Irvine's nomination for the UC Panunzio Award. After discussion, this was approved.

Cal McLaughlin announced that negotiations continue with the Senate regarding our proposal that the Senate take over administration of the UC Irvine Faculty Mentorship Award.

Treasurer's Report. Stu Krassner announced that our bank balance at the end of January was \$8640, a little ahead of last year.

President's Notes. Cal McLaughlin noted that Bill Parker is now pursuing discussions with a new representative of Regents Point.

Bylaws Committee Update. On behalf of their committee and for purposes of discussion, Judy Horn and Ken Dumars distributed a draft of proposed revisions in the Association's bylaws. The central thrust of the proposals was in the reduction of the number of standing committees from nine to five and the change for four of the standing committees to be "ad hoc committees" (History & Archives, Bio-bibliographic Survey, Ethics, Newsletter). A wide-ranging discussion followed, it being argued on the one hand that these revisions constitute a useful simplification, and on the other that it would be better to keep them all as standing and fully staff the existing nine committees OR to keep them all as standing and realize they will not always function fully staffed. It was also brought up that there has not been a constant need for all of the committees to function all of the time (for example, Bio-bib. only happens once every 3 years) and although all presidents have sought volunteers for each committee, there are not always enough to fill positions. A motion was made

and passed that, in any case, a separate Awards Committee should be preserved and not merged, as proposed, with the Membership and Nominating Committee.

After further discussion, Cal announced that he would appoint an ad hoc committee of Stu Krasner, Dick Frank, and Keith Nelson to study the question of whether or not, and how, the Emeriti should publish a regular newsletter.

Judy Horn announced that her committee will submit revised bylaw proposals at our next board meeting. These will be distributed before the meeting.

Senate and CFW. No update.

Center for Emeriti & Retirees. Jeri distributed the February edition of "Connections" and flyers for the "Healthy to 100 and Beyond" series and the Caregiver Workshop Series that she has organized; both of which are open to active employees as well as retired. We discussed the "emeritus table" that is reserved for lunch after the Executive Committee meetings at the University Club. Discussion included that no one has been using it and the original purpose was to possibly invite other emeriti to sample and possibly join the Executive Committee. Perhaps it is too much to expect that those coming to a 10am meeting would want to invite others and stay for lunch at Noon – a long day at the same location however Barbara noted that all should know some other emeriti whose skills could benefit emeriti efforts and who might be interested to volunteer and invite them to a meeting.

UC Retirees Association Update. Marianne Schnaubelt discussed the UCI Retirees Association's efforts to achieve a "balance" between the many activities their planning group (an Advisory Committee which meets on an as-needed basis at the UClub and over lunch) suggests and the energy needed to actually make them happen. She noted that "Retiree" includes everybody, retired staff and emeriti so that all are able to partake of their events. The Retirees Association does not publish a Newsletter because Jeri's Center publication, "Connections", seems to cover their needs. Their only publication/ mailing is their annual call for dues which they send along with the Center's current programs brochure, thereby splitting the mailing cost with the Center, if needed.

OLLI Update. Peggy Maradudin reported that OLLI has been seeking more partnership with the campus.

Indeed the Center for Emeriti & Retirees (Jeri) has been trying to help find space on campus that might accommodate OLLI being on campus. Peggy has recently established a collaboration with the Humanities Core Course and is working to create one with Richard Matthews Security Center in Social Ecology. She hopes to see Religious Studies and the Medical School involved with OLLI as well.

Old Business.

Cal announced that the Senate office has our web-site updated.

Progress regarding exit interviews has been slow. Unfortunately, only one emeritus person has volunteered to participate.

In response to a question, he noted that he continues in his effort to have a representative of the Senate attend our meetings.

Submitted by: Keith Nelson