

UCI Emeriti Association
Executive Committee Meeting
September 12, 2013

Call to Order. The meeting of the UCI Emeriti Association Executive Committee was called to order by President Cal McLaughlin at 10:30 a.m. in Room C of the University Club. Present were Richard Frank, Judy Horn, Ronald Jevning, Stuart Krassner, Pamela Lawrence, Ronald Miller, William Parker, Garland Parten, Marianne Schnaubelt, Marilyn Soley.

Minutes. There were no minutes of the meeting of April 4 but the minutes of May 4 were approved. Professor Miller noted that the April 4 minutes needed to be written since only an oral report by Jeri Frederick had been presented.

Treasurer's Report. Professor Krassner reported that there is currently \$8400 in the Association's account but it should be higher when the 2014 dues notice is sent out; all is in good shape. It was noted that Jeri Frederick's position had become full-time (previously 75%) as of January 1, 2013.

President's Notes. President McLaughlin encouraged the members to turn in a list of potential speakers for the 2014 Annual Meeting so that arrangements can be made. Two potential dates were reserved for this meeting: Monday, June 2, or, Tuesday, June 3, 10:00 a.m., at the UClub.

For the monthly Executive Committee meetings, it was suggested that starting NEXT month, the meetings start at 10am instead of 10:30am to allow more time for agenda items. As well, due to at least two holidays always falling in the 1st week of the month (September and January), it was suggested that the meetings be changed to the 2nd Thursday of the month. It was noted that this could be a problem if not done with more advance notice. Bill moved that the date change be effective with the calendar year 2014. Motion: The regular meeting day be changed from the first Thursday of the month to the second Thursday of the month starting January 2014. Motion seconded and approved.

Senior Housing Committee. Professor William Parker reported on two meetings with Regents Point representatives where senior housing was discussed. It was agreed in principle that UCI retirees would have priority at Regents Point and that would apply to parents of active employees as well. Financial assistance might be offered to a small number of UCI residents on a need basis. Regents Point will attempt to have access to skilled nursing facilities and home care services for UCI residents as well. There is a committee looking into ways to improve programs coordination between OLLI, CER, the Geriatric Program, UCIMC Senior Health. The issue for most programs is duplicity, parking and room availability.

Professor McLaughlin said that the facility is great and that UCI retirees having priority on a waiting list would be a perk, adding that Belmont manages several facilities and is currently working on a relationship with USC. It is in any vendor's best interest to have a good relationship with major universities. They want to have a good rating and academic retirees tend to bring the facility prestige. Also they don't want vacancies. Regent's Point has skilled nursing facilities and home care services which are open to the public.

Professor Lawrence commented that it would be expensive and if the University wants to do something it ought to do something creative. Facilities at Regents Point need updating.

Professor Krassner commented that Regents Point seems like a good option as a retirement community. It has 350 residents, three times the size as one proposed several years ago.

Newsletter Discussion. Professor McLaughlin commented on the need for a Newsletter Editor and agreed that we no longer mail but go with the electronic version or a blog. This would entail minimum censoring but would be on the web over an individual's name using an informal blog format. Professor Miller noted that Jeri Frederick had said only fifteen people don't have electronic access. He recommended three Newsletters annually and that members be alerted to know when to look for them. Professor Parker stated that a successful blog would need a moderator who could censor items for appropriateness. Judy Horn recommended Susan Lessick who said she would not be available in the Fall. Professor Parker added that the blog should be limited to issues that are of interest to Retirees and Emeriti. Professor McLaughlin said we would explore a blog format and after the first of the year open it up for possible revision.

Senate and CFW Updates. Health care programs will be offered in January 2014 and many people will want to change their present coverage, including those on Medicare. UC will provide a new program for out-of-state retirees with flexibility for them. In-state retirees may have Blue Shield or Kaiser but the only option for out-of-state retirees will be through an exchange program. Jeri Frederick is putting together a Health Fair to provide information for the new plans and it is scheduled for November 6th (more details to follow). The Office of the President will circulate a notice in late October to all retirees.

Bylaws. Barbara Hamkalo and Ted Quilligan studied current Bylaws to see what might be needed since the Emeriti Association doesn't necessarily follow many of them. They recommended making the Bylaws more appropriate for the present organization. Professor McLaughlin thanked Judy Horn for assembling Bylaws from other campuses for the study. He will be meeting with both of them to discuss the next steps.

Other. The question was raised regarding the ownership of electronic courses if they are sold for a profit. The University owns the courses and they can be sent to other campuses but the consensus was that profits should be shared. This is being reviewed in the Office of the President.

UCI Retirees Association. Marianne Schnaubelt reported on the CUCRA/CUCEA meetings, noting that Janet Napolitano will come to meetings when her schedule permits. The next meeting being at UCSF on November 4 and 5.

OLLI. Peggy Maradudin called attention to the OLLI Catalogue and the University Forum held weekly at the University Club.

Adjournment. On motion, Professor McLaughlin adjourned the meeting at 11:59 a.m.

Respectfully submitted, Garland Parten