UCI EMERITAE/I ASSOCIATION MINUTES
December 3, 2004

Present: Julian Feldman, Ann Heiney, Renée Hubert, Sam McCulloch, Ron Miller, Kivie Moldave, Bob Montgomery, Lyman Porter, Allen Stubberud, John Swett

The meeting was called to order by Chair, Kivie Moldave at 9:15 a.m.

Minutes: Prior Minutes: Item (2) of the approval of minutes of the meeting of November 1, 2004 which attempted to correct the minutes of the October meeting (in item 3 under new business) should read “Medicare enrollees will have a decrease in health insurance premiums as of January 1 because of the University’s overpayment last year and changes in ways that the University health plans reimbursed for drugs.” The November minutes were approved with this change.

Treasurer’s Report: Moldave reported that Reed had informed him the Foundation balance is $15,011.38, and that income essentially matched expenses for the November Association Luncheon meeting. Feldman recommended that in future years expenses of the annual holiday party could be minimized by holding the event at the home of an emeritus with each individual bringing a potluck dish and a bottle of wine. One could also avoid the University Club expense of the room and food by holding the event in the new conference room in Berkeley Place, but this would require parking fees. It was recommended that parking fees for all our meetings be investigated, and it was noted that two of four parking meters south of Berkeley Place allow only 20 minute parking. Even though the form requesting dues states the academic year, it is often unclear to our assistant whether the payment is for that year or the following year. Thus, the form should request the emeritus to indicate for which year he or she is making payment.

Women’s Opportunity Center: Gina Merriott, Benefit Programs Manager, and Dianne Goepp, Acting Director of the Women’s Opportunity Center, were invited to explore mutual interests with the UCIEA. The Women’s Opportunity Center is located in the Rachel Long Morgan Building opposite Berkeley Place, and has a primary focus of career and life planning for women (but not for women exclusively). It is supported by donations and fees it charges for courses. Like the Osher Lifelong Learning Institute (formerly the Academy for Lifelong Learning), the Women’s Opportunity Center is a program of University Extension. Ms Goepp suggested that retirees wish to do four things: play, learn, volunteer, and/or work. One of the courses the WOC will offer is on retirement, and she thought some Emeritae/i might be interested in one of their interest groups (e.g., wine lovers or novel writers). Miller commented that there were, indeed, overlapping interests of the UCIEA, WOC, and OLLI, and wondered if they might share facilities and programs. Heiney suggested that at least they should keep each other informed of their activities.
Program Committee: Swett stated he is talking with Arnold Starr to consider a program on cognitive problems of the aging. Feldman informed Swett of the suggestion (at a prior meeting when Swett was out of the country) to invite Sherrie Kaplan to discuss “how to talk to your doctor”, and Miller had suggested that Pamela Lawrence might be an excellent co-speaker at such a discussion.

Newsletter Editor: It was recalled that Justin Call had offered to write an article on the College of Medicine Emeriti Association and that Eldon Foltz had offered to write on his research. The June minutes noted that Anne Paden had offered to write an article as well. It was recommended that Dick Frank be asked to summarize his November presentation on “The Historical Jesus” for the next newsletter. The next newsletter might also note the availability of identification cards for spouses of Emeritae/i who are considered members of the UCIEA.

Retiree’s Association: McCulloch reported that he had attended the recent Retiree’s Association meeting and learned that Dennis Clark’s health had improved (which news was warmly received), and that the Retirees intend to send a representative to our meetings in the future.

Unfinished Business: McCulloch plans to meet with the Awards Subcommittee following the next UCIEA Executive Committee meeting to consider the Panunzio award, the Emeritus Award, and the Mentoring Award.

New Business: Moldave reported that he had attended the systemwide Faculty Welfare Committee meeting, and that Mike Clark (Associate Executive Vice Chancellor) had reported on plans for UCI. Student enrollment is to increase from 19,000 to 28,540, and eventually to 35,000 (to be compared with UCLA and Berkeley which are to peak at lower levels). It was estimated there would be 32,000 students at UCI by 2015. Graduate students account for 15-20 percent of the UC enrollment. Per agreement with the governor, there is to be a three percent increase in funding for 2005 and 2006 and a four percent increase for 2007. A law school for UCI has been approved by all but the Regents who are to consider it in the near future. The Law School is to be budget neutral for the campus save for the basic educational costs of 600 students.

Next Meeting: The next meeting will be held on February 7, 2005.

Minutes reported by Ronald B. Miller, M.D.