UCI Emeriti Association
Executive Committee Minutes
Meeting May 5, 2008

I. Meeting was called to order by President Miller at 9:17. Present were: Call, Dumars, Easton, Feldman, Foltz, Frank, Frederick, Hamkalo, Jevning, Krassner, Maradudin, McCulloch, Miller, Porter, Schnaubelt, Soley, Tobis, Wilson.

II. Minutes of April 7 meeting approved unanimously.

III. Urgent Business – 1. Annual Meeting will be on Monday, June 2, in University Club, 12-3: (a) lunch, (b) talk by Prof. Mark Petracca, (c) business meeting with awards and election.
   2. Minutes of June 5, 2007 were amended and will be submitted with section D (Bylaws) reading as follows: (1) III.1: “Membership is open to all UC Irvine retirees (including faculty, librarians, & administrators) holding the title of emeritus/a, to emeriti of other UC campuses living in Orange County, and to the spouses of emeriti;” (2) IV.2: “Dues are assessed annually; contributions in support of the organization and its activities shall be voluntary;” (3) VII.1: “five members at large shall be elected each year for terms of two years.”
   3. Julie Schoen will speak on Long Term Insurance on Wednesday, May 7, 3-5 pm in University Club, Room C.

IV. Budget – Hamkalo: Mike Arias was “shocked” that no operating money allocated to Center in Univ. budget, suggested we re-submit for reconsideration. Frederick: some members e-mailed VC; had an effect. We’ll re-submit. – Frederick: I’ll be gone for 2 weeks. Miller: Schnaubelt & Hamkalo will re-submit in Frederick’s absence, unless resolved already. – Frederick: HR moving from Berkeley Place to Research Park this summer; Academic Senate (w/ Retirement Center) will move to Admin. next summer; at least that is the present plan. -- Krassner: in April $10,706. was on hand; now we have ca. $9500. And an anonymous donor may give us funds once again. -- Miller: Can we carry over money from year to year? Frederick: Yes.

V. Parking – Miller: Our survey of 9 other campuses shows some – UCD, SB, SC, SF – give free parking to emeriti, while at UCSF depts. pay $7. a month for emeriti. Any chance of getting further reductions for us at UCI, where parking is currently $4 (instead of $9)? Wilson: I haven’t been able to attend to this until now. I will try to get the matter settled.

VI. Nominating Committee – Hamkalo: we recommend for elections: Julian Feldman to be Editor of Newsletter; Hamkalo to be President, Edward Quilligan to be be Vice-president; Richard Frank to be Secretary; Stuart Krassner to be Treasurer. Frederick: We all owe a debt to Ted Quilligan for his hard work in getting submissions for the Newsletter and then getting it produced. --- Miller: we have three vacancies on ExCom, due to resignations of de Figuieredo, Newsom, & Geis. Hamkalo: no need to replace them now. And I will ask Newsom if he wishes to re-join us, now that he is no longer chair of CFW.

VII. Awards Committee – Recommended Lauri Thrupp (Medicine) and Bob Moeller (History) for Mentoring Awards. Other recommendations can be held over for next year. A Distinguished Emeritus/a Award will be made at the Annual Meeting as a surprise.

VIII. Emeriti Privileges – Miller read a member’s statement, arguing “talk of emeriti privileges is pious nonsense.” Frank: In her meeting with us Pat Price said in three different contexts, “local
option is the rule.” Easton: We need more information. Feldman: Results of a survey of emeritus benefits, conducted by Feldman & Simon with changes by CFW, will soon be released. But there are other possibilities, independent of departments, such as common rooms for retired faculty in each School. -- Miller: An actual Center, rather than the present “virtual” Center, would be another possibility. Easton: We can decide on recommendations once we have the survey. Miller: Right. But there are also general rights all of us already have, such as the right to have 199 students, and the right to serve on dissertation committees.

IX. Ethics Committee – An Academic Senate Committee on Ethics is to be proposed to CFW. Miller: Since a major purpose would be to prevent scandals such as have plagued the School of Medicine and the Medical Center, it would be a “morality monitoring committee.” Others disagreed; argued against “police force, snooping.” Dumars: I’ve been involved in ethics since the early 70’s, and have been disappointed by lack of faculty support. Tobis: And yet we need it. Easton: What would be its function? Miller: It would hear and respond to concerns in order to prevent harm to the reputation of UCI. A Voice: That’s the role of Privilege & Tenure. Dumars: I move that we set aside a meeting in the next few months to discuss this properly. Passed 5-0-7. And Barbara Hamkalo agreed to set aside a defined period of time in the September meeting to discuss the issue, with a prepared agenda.

X. CUCEA – Miller reported that it met April 17 at UCR, attended by Frederick, Hamkalo, Miller, Porter, Schnaubelt. There will be a new medical school at UCR, but no law school. Many changes coming in Office of the President and in HR of system, meaning up to ca. 120 positions may be cut, benefits outsourced, premiums for health care increased. Easton: how much of an increase? Miller: ca. 10-12%, if equivalent to national increases.

XI. Announcements – Marilyn Soley is collecting contact information. Please give it to her. – Charles Lave, Economics, died recently of a blood disease. – Ron Wilson: The UCI Medal will be conferred on Stanley v. d. Noort at the annual Awards Banquet. But the cost of attendance (=dinner) is very high. Event staged by Advancement. But there is possibility of getting tickets at reduced price for emeriti. Are any interested in coming?

The meeting was adjourned at 11:15.

NEXT MEETING IS THE ANNUAL MEETING

MONDAY, JUNE 2, 2008, 12-3 AT UNIVERSITY CLUB

No ExCom meeting in June; next ExCom meeting will be on September 8.

Respectfully submitted,
Richard Frank, Secretary

Addendum by Ron Miller: Those with Medical Center permits can park on campus for $1, paid at a kiosk, as noted by Ken Dumars. This applies to those with B permits, not VA permits (according to Jennifer in Parking Office). VA permits are good for campus parking only in lots 82 & 83. UCI medical permits (from Campus Parking) are good in any space on campus (not only those so marked), and may have somewhat less stringent requirements than DMV disability permits, but they do require a campus disability form signed by one’s physician.