MINUTES OF THE UCIEA EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING
MONDAY, DECEMBER 5, 2005, 9:15 A.M.
ACADEMIC SENATE CONFERENCE ROOM, 2701 BERKELEY PLACE SOUTH

Present: Julian Feldman, Eldon Foltz, Jeri Frederick, Richard Frank, Judd Hubert, Peggy Maradudin, Sam McCulloch, Ronald Miller, Kivie Moldave, Robert Montgomery, Lyman Porter, Lorraine Reed, Myron Simon, and Stephens, Jerome Tobis.

Minutes of November 7: The Chair, Kivie Moldave, asked members to inform Ron Miller if they wish to recommend changes or additions to the minutes.

Awards Committee: The Chair appointed a committee (Easton, Foltz, McCulloch, Reed, and Tobis) to make recommendations for the distinguished UCI emerita/us award and the mentoring award. He announced that the nomination for the Panunzio award is in the EVC's office and is expected to be the only nominee from UCI to be submitted (to UCLA) this year. However, since we have had prior Panunzio awardees of UCI emeritae/i we will be fortunate if we have another.

Nominating Committee: The Chair appointed a committee (Easton, Hamkalo, Miller, Moldave, Porter, and Tobis) to make recommendations for officers for the coming year.

Treasurer's Report: We have but $816.94 in the account, and anticipate some expense for the newsletter, but Ms. Frederick's student assistance are paid from another account.

Program Committee: The holiday gathering is to be held at Julian Feldman's home on December 15. We are to pay $10 per person at the door and $15 per couple. Ann Stephens is kindly donating wine for the occasion. The reception by the emeritae/i and the retirees for Chancellor Michael Drake is to be held at the University Club on January 9 from 3:30 to 5:30. The UCIEA will contribute $300, the UCIRA $800. Questions for the Chancellor, in addition to three submitted by Ron Miller, are to be sent Ms. Frederick as soon as possible. Special Update: The Chancellor’s office agreed to fund the entire event.

The Program Chair, Julian Feldman, hopes that Michael Clark might address us in February on the UCI 10-year plan. A draft is actually to be considered on December 6 by the Faculty Welfare Committee. The plan does include a statement about the UCIEA. For a future meeting we might invite a member of the UCI faculty who wrote a book on the care of cancer and caregivers for patients with cancer, which is on the New York Times book list. This meeting would be coordinated with Joe Walsh, the Health Care Facilitator in Human Resources.

Faculty Welfare Meeting: Last month a major topic was on the nuclear reactor which is apparently minimally, if at all, used, and may be decommissioned. It is said to be less dangerous than the Orange County Register reported. Summer instruction sessions may be resumed. Some faculty wish their W-2 to be provided online, but others including Feldman and Porter believe this would represent unnecessary exposure of private information. Lyman Porter recommended a survey of departments regarding benefits such as access to office space, use of campus mail, and it is believed there ought to be a general policy for use of campus space subject to space availability. Myron Simon offered to submit a draft of a survey for the Executive Committee to consider.
There was discussion concerning the importance of distinguishing rights from amenities. There is policy concerning rights (e.g., voting rights) but relatively little about amenities, and we need be careful what we ask for. Apparently our records should include a report by Bob Warner approximately 10 years ago regarding what emeritae/i hope for, and Tobis commented that rights and privileges are discussed in the UCIEA history draft. The report should be available for review at the time we consider the draft survey.

**Osher Lifelong Learning Institute:** Peggy Maradudin presented the history of the predecessor organization, the Academy for Lifelong Learning. This was a group formed in 1997 by Rose Moldave, Sally Schwartz, Rayne Seidenberg, and Joan Schwartz. The first year there were 200 members, now 750. There is an affiliation with UCI Extension (which was facilitated by the UCIEA Executive Committee some years ago). A 3-year grant of $100,000 per year was provided by the Osher Foundation, and because goals (such as integration with the campus and community) were met our Osher Lifelong Learning Institute received $1 million. Congratulations are in order. Barbara Hamkalo serves on the curriculum committee. Peggy Maradudin heads the Academic Liaison Committee for improved relationships with both UCI and with the community. They hope for additional liaison with Social Sciences and with Computer Sciences. Their monthly newsletter informs readers of campus activities and programs.

**Retirement Relations Center Director's Report:** Ms. Frederick's position is still currently at 50% time. Her desk is a cubicle in Human Relations at 1000 Berkeley Place, but she also uses the Emeritae/i office in the Academic Senate space for meetings. Recognizing the pressure of time to get the current issue of the Newsletter out with announcements of our December and January meetings for the entire UCIEA, Ms. Frederick proceeded with providing the Board with the current draft of the newsletter in a form that could be sent out by e-mail. Ms. Frederick reported that the November 7 provision of influenza vaccine for retirees and alumni was appreciated and hopes it will be an annual event. The open enrollment and FITSCO investment sessions were also appreciated. She has multiple projects in various stages of initiation and completion: Work toward achievement of a Retirement Center for UCI, for e-mail privileges for emeritae/i/spouses and staff retirees, for special rates for parking, for reduced rates for all Retirees for use of the Athletics and Recreation Center, the recent list of 40 "emeritae/i" that were acquired from the campus Payroll and Personnel System (of which a number of whom were not necessarily recognized as true Emeritus status) which she will review with Lorie Reed, and finally the filing by various categories of the UCIEA archives (thanks to David Easton's graduate assistant, William Chiu). Unfortunately they have found a large gap in the minutes and will need to consult multiple emeritae/i to retrieve information necessary to reasonably complete the "History".

Because Bobbi Brown was unable to attend our meeting today, Ms. Frederick reported that the retirees will soon have a call for officers and reinvigoration of their organization. Ms. Frederick is also arranging for certificates from the Office of the President (thanking retirees for their service years but which have not been sent in recent years) to be sent at this time.

**New and unfinished business:** Myron Simon provided us with a letter from Frank Cannonito comparing Blue Cross PPO with the High Option plan, and it was stated that Joe Walsh found the comparison reasonable. Kivie Moldave pointed out that High Option has particular advantage outside of the system. A letter of thanks is to be sent to Professor Emeritus Cannonito.
Ron Miller requested the Executive Committee to consider whether the UCIEA might undertake study of ways to prevent serious problems such as those of the liver transplant program (or if unable to prevent, to detect and deal early on with, misadventure or misconduct before harm to patients, research subjects, or others). He made this suggestion appreciating that the Chancellor has appointed a blue-ribbon committee to review the problems and make recommendations. Jerry Tobis mentioned two other recent scandals and suggested the UCIEA might serve as an ombudsman. He felt it was important that the UCIEA do more than protect self interests and that this was a way we could be of real service to the University. Dick Frank wondered whether the Emeritae/i Association of the School of Medicine might prefer to do this. Judd Hubert pointed out that other medical schools have had similar problems, and he thought it might be due to intense competition and economic factors, and Eldon Foltz concurred. Julian Feldman appreciated the seriousness of the problems, but felt the UCIEA did not have special expertise, and he felt the Academic Senate should review the matter. Dick Frank made a motion that the UCIEA undertake the study, and it was seconded by Ron Miller but failed for lack of a majority vote (four in favor, four against) though several had already left the meeting by the time of the discussion.

The next two meetings of the Executive Committee will be held February 6 and March 6, and are to be chaired by Ron Miller with minutes to be taken by Lorie Reed as Kivie Moldave will be out-of-state on both occasions.

Minutes submitted by Vice Chair and Secretary, Ronald B. Miller, M.D.