
Introductions: Chairman Moldave introduced Jeri I. Frederick, Director of Retirement Relations Center, and each in attendance introduced him or herself including new and returning members Richard Frank, Louis Gottschalk, Barbara Hamkalo, and Myron Simon. Ms. Frederick is developing the strategic plan for the UCI Retirement Relations Center (RRC). She will coordinate plans for key issues with Emeriti/Retirement Centers at other UC campuses. The RRC may assist the UCIEA in its desire to benefit UCI, suggesting program topics and getting the word out about upcoming events. Her office is also working to create a central and easily updated confidential database for all emeritae/i and retiree’s address and contact information. The RRC hopes to work with campus entities to achieve consistent and discounted parking rates, make available information on benefits, and to retain UCInetID/e-mail access for all UCI emeritae/i, retirees.

Minutes: The minutes of the meeting of May 2 chaired by Lorie Reed who assisted with the minutes were approved with the request by Jerry Tobis that attendance be added. We believe Easton, Foltz, Heiney, Judd and Renée Hubert, Porter, and Tobis were present. The minutes of the meetings of June 7 and July 7 were also accepted.

Health Care Facilitator: Joe Walsh provided a comprehensive review of Medicare part D and its integration with the UC health plans. Unless individuals elect coverage with private insurers they may be seamlessly enrolled in Medicare part D by the UCOP. Because of the federal reimbursement of partial prescription costs, the UC health plans should be able to keep our healthcare premiums relatively low, and it is presently considered likely that we will continue to pay our co-pay for prescriptions. If one has CORE coverage there will be a co-pay for medications rather than a percentage charge of the prescription cost as in the past. As in the past, Blue Cross High Option will cover the cost of medications without further co-pay once an individual has paid $1000 or more out-of-pocket. Formularies may change. There is a five month grace period in which emeritae/i or retirees may switch to another part D plan without penalty.

Treasurer: Lorie Reed reported the Vice Chancellor's office kindly provided additional funds over and above the usual $2000 support for the past year by absorbing extra staffing costs incurred (allowing us to begin this year with a current balance of $1156 in the Foundation account), and will provide $2000 support this year. We must be careful with our expenses. David Easton suggested we request additional support in light of new programs planned, a cost-of-living increase, and an increase in the number of the emeritae/i. Julian Feldman noted the support of Jeri Frederick represents a substantial increase in our support. Lyman Porter noted that emeritae/i have an opportunity to donate above and beyond the dues, and Lorie Reed indicated we should recognize individuals who do so, perhaps in the newsletter (Ann Heiney noted some individuals may prefer not to be so listed and thus we should ask in advance). Significant savings could be achieved by e-mailing the newsletters. Since only a dozen responded to Kivie Moldave that they would prefer e-mail, David Easton suggested that we send the newsletter by e-mail and ask for a response if individuals prefer a hard copy.

Program Chair: Julian Feldman plans two themes this year: The 40th anniversary of UCI and health care. He feels we should encourage attendance of emeritae/i at the November 3 symposium at the Berkeley Theatre and the Library and at the McCulloch recollections October 12, and Bill Parker's talk November 16. Julian also hopes we may obtain recollections of faculty spouses, and it was reported Jean
Aldrich will speak at the November 3 symposium. With regard to medical programs, Julian recommends further discussion of Medicare part D, how to talk with one's doctor, health improvement efforts, the practical aspects of Medicare for the benefit of University employees who are not yet eligible but whose parents are, and the difficult end-of-life decisions that many of us will face. Miller indicated willingness to talk on the concept of ineffective or "futile" care and on advance directives. Louis Gottschalk recommended Rebekah Gladson, Associate Vice Chancellor and Campus Architect might be asked to speak on her "design-build" concept of bringing all stakeholders together to plan new projects before initiating any part of the project (rather than doing so sequentially). David Easton recommended that we invite Chancellor Drake to present his vision of how emeritae/i may best contribute to the welfare of UCI. The RRC, through the efforts of Gail Brooks, is working to obtain a date on the Chancellor's schedule in order to introduce him to UCI emeritae/i/retirees and welcome him to address this important constituent of the UCI community at an event to be held at the University Club. Julian indicated he hopes to improve attendance at our meetings by working together with the Retirees and with Joe Walsh and that he recommends we decrease expenses by holding meetings in the afternoons rather than at lunchtime and that we hold them at the University Club or at the Beckman Center to minimize parking costs.

**History Committee**: Louis Gottschalk reported that he met with the late Renée Hubert, Sam McCulloch, Jerry Tobis, and by conference call with Henry Fagin. He and Jerry Tobis with the assistance of Myra Fono drafted a preliminary history which has received careful review by Kivie Moldave. Moldave modestly incorporated only a few changes in a minimally revised version, and requested that additional comments be provided to the ad hoc committee. Gottschalk and Tobis, however, recommended a new committee be appointed to complete the task. They had been seriously hampered by disorganization of the files of the UCIEA and possibly also by missing documents. Jeri Frederick confirmed the problem. David Easton very kindly offered to pay personally for a graduate student to put our records in order so that they might be used to complete an accurate history of the UCIEA. Easton requested that a single revision of the current history with the best information we have thus far be submitted to all members for comment. The Executive Committee unanimously thanked the ad hoc committee for its excellent work to date, and Miller expressed hope that the committee would reconsider completing the project since they have the expertise to do so.

**Newsletter Editor**: Bob Montgomery has requested information regarding deceased emeritae/i for recognition in an upcoming newsletter. He has short obituaries on approximately a half dozen, but needs information on others. Myron Simon noted that in the past the University provided such information, and will investigate whether this may still be available to us. Note the above comment about e-mailing the newsletter as a trial.

**Faculty Welfare**: Julian Feldman is on the UC-wide Faculty Welfare Committee which meets this Friday. There is a large agenda including the healthcare task force, faculty salaries, the status of the national laboratories, and possible changes in retirement benefits for faculty to be hired in the future. The UCI committee will meet next week, and we are represented by Julian Feldman, Jerry Tobis, and Myron Simon.

**New Business**: CUCEA will meet October 27 and is to be attended by Feldman, Frederick, Porter, and Moldave. Miller reviewed some matters in the recent CUCEA minutes: UC Berkeley held a reception for its new Chancellor, and the Chancellor at UC Davis holds an annual dinner honoring emeritae/i; the reduction in (perhaps abolition of) parking fees for UC Davis emeritae/i may perhaps account for a nearly 30% increase in emerite/i membership; UCLA arranges emerite/i speakers for community organizations; UC Riverside holds an annual ceremony for deceased faculty, emeritae/i, and staff; UCSD is planning meetings "possibly with UCI". Jerry Tobis recommended that we meet with EVC and Provost Michael
Gottfredson. We hope to support entitlement to e-mail of widowers and widows of emeritae/i. There is need for a more direct link for UCIEA on the UCI web site.

Minutes submitted by Vice Chair and acting-secretary, Ronald B. Miller
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