

UCI Faculty Emeriti Association Executive Committee Meeting
Minutes -
November 13, 2014

Call to Order: The meeting of the executive committee was called to order by President Bill Parker at 10 AM in Room C of the University Club. Those present included George Miller, Ron Jevning, Pamela Lawrence, Marilyn Soley, Peggy Maradudin, Marianne Schnaubelt, Susan Lessick, Susan Pihl, Jeri Frederick, Cal McLaughlin, and Keith Nelson.

Minutes: The minutes of the Executive Committee's meeting of April 10, 2014, were approved as submitted. The minutes of the meeting of October 9, 2014, were corrected as follows and then approved:

The second sentence of the OLLI paragraph should read "It is continuing to partner with the Forum at the University Club."

The fourth sentence of the OLLI paragraph should read "She intends to write information for "Connections" and for our newsletter about the courses being offered."

Treasurer's Report: There was no Treasurer's Report, but Bill Parker reminded the executive committee of his belief that some of our current surplus should be used to fund special presentations by distinguished faculty. Jeff Wasserstrom (History) and Jack Miles (English/Religious Studies) were cited as two possible speakers.

President's Notes:

Committee on Faculty Welfare -- Bill Parker surmised that there will be considerable "sticker shock" when the rate increases for UC Care and Blue Shield High Options are announced. Cal McLaughlin disclosed that his High Option policy had been very satisfactory during this past year.

_ Jeri Frederick reported that a brochure regarding the Association's agreement with Regents Point is ready for publication and that it will announce a 50% discount on entrance fees for UCI emeriti, retirees and family of active employees. Bill noted that this could amount to savings of many thousands of dollars.

Ad Hoc Communications Committee: Keith Nelson presented the

report of the committee regarding the Emeritus Newsletter (attached), which was accepted and endorsed after a brief discussion. Bill Parker thereupon appointed Keith editor of this fall's edition of the Newsletter and Dick Frank editor of next spring's edition.

Programs Committee: Susan Lessick noted the preliminary report of the committee (attached) and promised a more comprehensive report, with recommendations, at our next meeting. A discussion ensued regarding activities related to UCI's 50th anniversary. Vice Chancellor Parham heads up a 40 person planning committee for these events. For several months it appeared that work was done by the Advancement Office, but more recently the Communications Office has seemed more involved. One fortunate result of this change is that the contributions of the founding faculty are being taken more seriously. They are being interviewed extensively now and many of these interviews may be published in a 50th anniversary volume. Bill suggested such a volume might be entitled "Aspirations and Remembrances" Meanwhile, "founders" are being invited by the UCIRA to January UCI Homecoming and a special "Founders' Week" is planned for Fall 2015.

Academic Senate:

Retirement Counseling -- Human Resources currently offers on-campus retirement counseling, but the future of these positions are uncertain after June of 2015. Bill plans to talk to the UCI Provost about providing money for continuing local retirement counselors. There continues to be an effort on the part of UCOP to centralize retirement counseling in Oakland.

Mental Health Care Facilitator. – Human Resources is currently recruiting a person for function as a mental health care facilitator. Bill serves on the interview committee for this position.

Awards -- Bill reported that the Senate is still considering taking on our awards for faculty mentoring.

UCI Retirees Association: Marianne Schnaubelt reported that the Chemerinsky lecture the Retirees Association sponsored was very successful and wondered if there were lectures that both Retirees and Emeriti could co-sponsor. The UCI RA Advisory Board is working with the Center on 50th Anniversary events that will include

Homecoming and Celebrate UCI options.

Center for Emeriti and Retirees (CER): Jeri Frederick reminded us that "Open Enrollment" ends on November 25. All upcoming programs are noted in the Center Newsletter, Connections, and on the website: retirees.uci.edu.

OLLI: Peggy Maradudin reported that the fall term was going well and announced that next quarter's catalogue will be out in December.

Bylaws Committee Update: None.

Old Business: None.

New Business: Keith Nelson announced that he has given 2/3 of his Dickson award (\$20,000) to the Department of History to establish a distinguished annual lecture in the history of American foreign relations. This lectureship will be inaugurated by Professor Mark Bradley of the University of Chicago next May 19.