## Minutes for the UCDEA Executive Committee Meeting June 13, 2013 at the UC Davis Conference Center, UC Davis

Present: Vohs (chair), Boorkman, Breidenbach, Rains, Hays, Smiley, Lacy, McCalla<sup>2</sup>, Jackman, Sallee, Lofland, Dobris, Plant, Harrison, Barnes.

- 1) No announcements.
- 2) Rich Engel, CAAA Executive Director, spoke of the life membership in CAAA being offered to emeriti, through the chancellor's request, and of the desire to know when emeriti travel, so that they can be connected to alumni groups wherever they go. Emeriti talent can also be used through Campus Showcase, whether as stand-alone lectures or through mini-courses.
- 3) Minutes were approved as corrected.
- 4) UCDRA Report (P. McCalla)—The committee discussed long-range plans, reviewing committee structure, seeking to place all description of duties on the website, using positive wording in all documents, and keeping the website up to date. They also seek more limited terms of office, in order to encourage more new blood, and are seeking greater outreach.
- 5) Retiree Center Update (Barnes)--Enrollment for the new retirees' reception is down because addresses came late from HR. Volunteers are needed for the event. Registration is due for the appreciation luncheon. Resource day is July 18. Barnes distributed next year's calendar of events.
- 6) Archives (Boorkman)—The library is trawling the web and capturing notices of UC Davis and faculty, UCDEA, and departments.
- 7) Financial (Sallee)—report accepted as distributed.
- 8) Committee Reports
  - a) Membership (Walters)--an overall increase in 9, despite deaths throughout the year; again, difficulty getting notice of retirements from HR.
  - b) Awards and Recognition (Harrison)—Guidelines have been posted for the Dickson award. Our candidate did not receive the Panunzio award, which like most recent past awards went to one of 3 campuses; such insularity is discouraging.
  - c) Committee on Committees (Smiley)—They are still looking for a program cochair to help Bob Flocchini.
  - d) Editorial (Barnes)—This summer they are setting up the fall production schedule.
  - e) Program (Flocchini)—There were excellent speakers this year, and he and his UCDRA co-chair are setting up next year's program.

- f) University and Public Relations (Lacy)—They are pursuing the mentoring program with the Athletic Department. Alex Ardans and John Inciardi are new members of the committee.
- g) Video—(A. McCalla)—22 videos were completed this year.

## 9) Senate and campus involvement

- a) Emeriti welfare—no report
- b) Campus community Council (Lofland)—nothing new.
- c) Interdisciplinary Frontiers in Humanities and Arts grants (Vohs) —\$3.5 million in grants will be distributed. The desire of Math and Sciences to form a separate college and withdraw from L & S was discussed. The Executive Committee felt that emeriti should have a seat at that discussion.
- d) Committee of Freedom of Expression (Hays)—Hate speech is allowed through the first amendment, until it causes harm; what constitutes harm is the ongoing subject of discussion. What is being done at UCLA and Columbia has been distributed to committee members.

## 10) Continuing Business

- a) Vohs asked what does an Emeriti College provide that we currently do not have. Costantini is preparing a survey. It should be distributed to those who signed up for the transition to retirement classes to see what those individuals feel is lacking. Barnes has received request for speakers, so a speaker's bureau is one possible organization not yet present on campus.
- b) Vohs announced that Bob Chasen will join the Retiree Center Advisory group and will help in getting UCDMC retirees and emeriti more involved.

## 11) New Business

- a) Reports from standing committees are due; only two are still outstanding, program and editorial.
- b) Fall Fest (Barnes)—What has been the Steak Bake will now be the Fall Fest, and this year it will happen at Stonegate Country Club, Sept. 7.
- c) CUCRA/CUCEA meets twice annually, and Barnes, according to Vohs, conducts the meetings admirably.
- d) The Christmas meeting, the Madrigal lunch, will be December 12<sup>th</sup> (a Thursday, not a Wednesday) this year. The administration has decided that Atria no longer qualifies as a UC Davis caterer, so we will miss their free catering, and forthcoming events will be more expensive.

The meeting adjourned at 11:34 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Peter L. Hays