California State University, Los Angeles

Emeriti Association Meeting Minutes

Thursday, **June 8, 2017**

Time: **12:45-2:45 p.m.**

Place: **SA 110**

Present: J. Adenika, P. Brier, S. Burstein, M. Cates, J. Cleman, D. Dewey, N. Fabris, S. Felszeghy, J. Galvan, K. Reilly, B. Sinclair.

Absent: J. Fisher-Hoult, D. Keane, D. Margaziotis, L. Mathy, R. Marshall-Holt, F. Stahl, B. Taylor

1. Announcements
   1. This is John’s last meeting as President. He thanked everyone for all their hard work throughout the year. Members then expressed their thanks to him for his outstanding leadership.
   2. John announced the dates for the luncheons for the 2018-19 school year: Fall ’18 - September 14 (Ballroom #1); Spring ’19 – May 3 (Ballroom #1).
   3. Don announced that he had re-read John’s Presidential address in the *Emeritimes* and found it especially inspiring. He suggested others might want to re-read it again also.
   4. Members discussed the attendance at the annual meeting and remarked that the keynote address was excellent but was a bit too long.
2. Approval of Agenda

2.1. M/S/P to approve the agenda.

3.0       Approval of the Minutes:

3.1 Executive Committee Meeting: May 12, 2017: M/S/P with the correction to add M. Cates as the Treasurer for 2017-18.

3.2 Association Annual Meeting: May 12, 2017: M/S/P with the correction to add M Cates as the Treasurer for 2017-18.

4.0       Officer and Committee Reports and Recommendations

4.1       President: John Cleman

4.1.1 F. Stahl had requested an updated list of the university

administrators; Jose reported that he had already given that updated list as of

November, 2016.

4.1.2 Still waiting to hear from the UAS administrator as to

status of a separate Emeriti account.

4.1.3 Janet Diel of University Advancement attended the luncheon and mentioned

to John that there might be another opportunity for fundraising.

4.2 Vice President Programs: Jean Adenika

4.2 Jean presented her final report in which she summarized the Spring luncheon:

44 guests in attendance; excellent panel of speakers from the CSULA Television,

Film, and Media Studies Department; special tour of their new facilities.

A shuttle bus took visitors up the hill to the facility.

4.3 Jean extended appreciation to the helpers at the luncheons during her tenure

(2015-17): J. Cleman, D. Keane, M.Cates, D. Klein, D. Vernon, T. Crovello,

J. Holt, J. Galvan, R.Marshall, M. Friedman, and J. Kirchner.

4.4. Jean passed along her “Green Book” of luncheon information and samples of

work to be done to Stan to give to the new V.P. of Programs, Deborah Schaeffer.

4.5 Jean shared how much she had enjoyed her service as V.P. for Programs,

noting how well Diane Vernon had trained her. Jean is moving to Washington

with her new spouse.

4.6. Members expressed their great appreciation for Jean’s wonderful staging of

the programs; S. Burstein will follow up with a thank you letter.

4.3       Treasurer: Marshall Cates

4.3.1 The balance as of 6/7/17 in the general checking account is $21,595.18. This includes a balance of $6,473.29 in the Life Long Learning line item. The

balance in the FCU savings account is $10,039.17. A $600 donation is pending.

4.3.2 The new approach to soliciting membership dues (separate mailing) resulted in 39 membership renewals. Ten members took advantage of the payment plan of $30 for 5 years, then paying $100 to become a life member. Marshall suggested we agendize this payment plan at the next meeting as part of our discussion concerning methods of increasing membership.

4.4 Fiscal Policy Chair: Marshall Cates

4.4.1 Still awaiting UAS response our application for a separate account and tax ID to accommodate LLL. The issue remains as to who we report to– a Dean or the President..

4.4.2 It was suggested that Marshall simply walk into the UAS Supervisor’s office to follow up on the application.

4.5 Fellowship Chair: Alfredo Gonzalez

4.5.1 Alfredo presented his final report for the year, detailing the fellowship application and review process. For 2017-18 we will award 15 $1,000 fellowships and one $2,000 fellowship. The recipients will be recognized at the Fall luncheon on September 8.

4.5.2 Alfredo mentioned how helpful the new Scholarship Director, Veronica Popvich, has been during the process of reviewing the applications.

4.5.3 The new criteria for the awarding of the named fellowships were reviewed, as well as the criteria for the fellowships now named *Emeriti Association Fellowship for Academic Excellence in (area of study).*

4.5.4 There were 64 qualified applicants, but another 214 applicants would have been eligible if they had finished a 500 level course. There followed a discussion of possible revisions to the criteria: consider only continuing students, only full-time students, (what is the official definition), only students in good standing with G2 classification (advancement to candidacy). Alfredo will discuss these with his committee and bring recommendations to this committee.

4.5.5 Other suggestions were made to enhance importance of award luncheon: invite former recipients to attend and speak (perhaps at Spring not Fall), continue to publicize the awards to departments.

4.5.6 The financial aid office needs to know at end of January how much money is available, but UAS can’t tell us until June so the number has to be predicted.

4.5.7 Alfredo again thanked the faculty who read the applications and welcomes other volunteers.

4.6 Life Long Learning Representative: Peter Brier

4.6.1 The pre-printer version of a new brochure was distributed; Peter asked for feedback by June 20.

4.6.2 Two new venues may be added ((East L.A., San Gabriel Valley); would like 6 instead of current 4; also Royal Oaks in Bradbury and Pasadena Senior Center are possibilities.

4.6.3 Need to expand group of possible presenters. Currently only about 35 of 400 emeriti participate as speakers. Barbara mentioned an immediate need for a speaker at Hollenbeck.

4.6.4 LLL Board makes decisions about their expenditures. They will be paying the student assistant for help with the new brochure.

4.7 *Emeritimes* Editorial Board Chair: Frieda Stahl

5.0 Old Business

5.1 Measures to stimulate interest in the Emeriti Biographies Project

5.1.1 M/S to replace “Biographies” with “Profile” in project name.

Motion was amended to rename the project as “Biographies/Profiles”.

Motion passed as amended. Same template will be used.

5.1.2 Measures to stimulate interest in and contributions to project: place article in *Emeritimes,* include information on what we do in Emeriti President’s welcoming letter; perhaps make more visible on website

5.2 Role of the Association and the Executive Committee in supporting LLL

5.2.1 See discussion under LL (4.6)

5.3 Emeriti Involvement in Campus Address to Student Homelessness and Undernourishment – no discussion

6.0 New Business

6.1 Fellowship Criteria: see discussion under 4.5.4 above

6.2 Assignments for At-Large Members – no discussion due to time

7.0 Commendation

7.1. It was M/S/P unanimously to commend John for his service as President.

8.0 Adjournment

8.1. Meeting was adjourned at 2:45 p.m.

Submitted by Kathy Reilly