# California State University, Los Angeles Emeriti Association

**Emeriti Center, Administration 815**

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**Minutes of the February Meeting**

**Date: February 10, 2005**

**Place: Administration 814**

**Time: 12:45 – 2:55 p.m.**

**Present:** P. Brier, D. Burrill, J. Casanova, H. Cohen, D. Dewey, J. Fisher-Hoult, J. Hoyt, B. Miller, L. Mathy, L. Negrete, C. Padick, L. Schwartz, B. Sinclair, F. Stahl, K. Wagner

**Absent:** M. Friedman, J. Johnson, K. Johnson, D. Margaziotis, D. Moore, K. Phillips, V. Potter, C. Smallenburg

1. **Announcements**

Barbara announced that Demetrius is solving a problem at home, Vilma and Marilyn will be unable to attend and that Don Moore is moving from Claremont to Chino Hills.

New Emeriti include David McNutt (Public Affairs) and Ram Manvi (Mechanical Engineering). Barbara also announced that the University Librarian expressed interest in displaying Mary Gormly’s native American art in the library.

The following deaths were announced: Rashad Razouk (Chemistry), Walter Beaver (Theatre Arts), Norman Berke (Special Ed) and Harry Diamond (Police Science).

Frieda noted that a nominating committee needs to be appointed so they can provide a list of nominees that will be published in the spring issue of the Emeritimes.

1. **Approval of Agenda**

It was M/S/P to approve the agenda.

1. **Approval of Minutes of January 13, 2005**

It was M/S/P to approve the minutes with the following changes: Len’s absence at the last meeting was because he was invited to attend the Health Benefits Committee meeting; in the Announcements section the spelling of Ford should be Forde and of Keyes should be Keys; and in 5.1 the words meetings and Meeting should be events and Event respectively.

**4.0 Officer and Committee Reports and Recommendations**

**4.1** **President: Barbara Sinclair**

Barbara discussed with Clif Harper the possibility of an Emeriti Night at the Luckman. He was quite supportive and asked us to get back to him. She suggested that dinner before the theater is also a possibility.

Barbara requested a list of topics that might be explored when she meets with the College Deans to discuss interaction with Emeriti. Issues concerning the availability of space, and assistance in the advising process were suggested.

**4.2 Past President: Donald Dewey**

No report.

**4.3** **Vice President – Administration: Lou Negrete**

No report.

**4.4 Vice President – Programs: Clem Padick**

The Spring Meeting will be on Friday, May 13. Clem said that John Kirchner is available to speak. Other possibilities might include Ted Anagnoson or someone who is knowledgeable to speak about the pension system.

**4.5** **Fiscal Affairs Chair: Joe Casanova**

Joe distributed a listing of Emeriti Administered Scholarships. The document also listed various dollar amounts available in each account. Several proposals from the Scholarship Committee were also listed. Because the time certain for President Rosser was reached, these proposals will be considered under Old Business at the March meeting.

# Time Certain: 1:30 p.m. – President Rosser

The first issue discussed concerned the High School for Science. President Rosser explained that this will be a Charter School located in an area where schools are low performing. It will have approximately 500 students and will be located in East Los Angeles. A planning grant has been submitted to the State Department of Education and will be followed by an Implementation Grant. Emeriti could be used to design the curriculum and for other planning issues.

The second issue discussed involved the effect of cutbacks to our university and to the CSU System. Areas that could be impacted by cutbacks were listed by Len Mathy. In response, President Rosser described some of the changes that have been made on our campus because of cutbacks. He also noted that they have had a negative effect on recruiting new faculty and on retaining current faculty. This is especially true on our campus because it is located in an area with a high cost of living. In addition, increasing demands for start-up costs for new faculty require that cuts must be made in other areas. The President said that he would provide a written response to additional items that were on Len’s list but not discussed.

President Rosser also suggested that the Emeriti Association should contact the Alumni Association to determine how they might work together to build stronger ties to the University among the Alums. In addition the Emeriti Association might suggest changes that are needed in the Faculty Handbook. Contacting the Academic Senate leadership might also be an avenue to explore to determine whether Emeriti can assist in the student advisement process or mentor new faculty.

It was agreed that these items, will be placed on the March meeting agenda as New Business.

**5.0 Unfinished Business**

1. **New Business**
2. **Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 2:55 p.m.