# California State University, Los Angeles Emeriti Association

**Executive Committee Meeting**

Emeriti Center, Administration 815

California State University, Los Angeles

5151 State University Drive

Los Angeles, CA

Date January 10, 2013

Place:     Administration 815

Time:     Meeting: 12:30 p.m. – 2:42 p.m.

# MINUTES FOR JANUARY 2013 MEETING

**Present:** J. Adenika, P. Brier, S. Burstein, J. Casanova, M. Cates, J. Cleman, H. Cohen, T. Crovello, D. Dewey, M. Friedman,

H. Goldwhite, J. Johnson, K. Johnson, J. Fisher-Hoult, D. Keane, D. Margaziotis, L. Mathy, V. Potter, B. Sinclair, F. Stahl, W. Taylor, D. Vernon, V. Zapata,

**Absent:** R. Marshall-Holt, M. Roden

**Guest:** President James Rosser, briefly

**Announcements:**

**W. Taylor -**

* The CSULA 21st Annual Student Symposium on Research, Scholarship and Creative Activities will be on February 22, 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. in the University Student Union. They are soliciting judges and would welcome emeriti help judging. I will forward names of those who are interested to the planning committee.
* Honors Convocation will be Friday evening, April 26 and Commencement Exercises will be Friday evening, June 14 and Saturday morning, June 15. I will represent the Emeriti Association by escorting the University Banner carrier unless someone else would like to serve as the escort at these events.
* Ballots are out for election of faculty members to serve on the Advisory Committee that will advise the Presidential Search Committee.
* Emeriti will be recognized at the Academic Senate meeting on February 12, 2013. We have discussed coordinating our responses when we are recognized at the Senate meeting. Should we put this on our agenda?
* When we approve the agenda I will ask that we add “Fellowship Fund Committee Chair” as item 6.2 under New Business. I’ll also ask for a time certain of 1:15 p.m. for that item.

**D. Dewey** –

* He reported the deaths of Jean LaCour and Richard Straw. He has asked Annette Ehrlich to write the LaCour obituary and he will write the Straw obituary.
* He reported that a new Dean for Undergraduate Studies and for the Charter College of Education has been appointed and he will distribute the announcement by e-mail.

**D. Keane –**

She has ordered 200 copies of the Video at a cost of $1.40 each.

**W. Taylor –**

He requested that D. Keane, the Vice President, conduct the remainder of the meeting, as he must depart early.

**1.2       Approval of Agenda**

M/S/P Add 1:15p.m. as the “time-certain” period to discuss 6.2-new business of appointing a Fellowship Fund Committee Chair.

**1.3       Approval of Minutes of December 13, 2012**

Approved with corrections.

**4.0       Officer and Committee Reports and Recommendations**

**4.1       President: William Taylor**

No Report

**4.2       Past President: Martin Roden**

No Report

**4.3       Vice President – Administration: Dorothy Keane**

No Report

**4.4       Vice President – Programs: Janet Fisher-Hoult**

J. Fisher-Hoult acknowledged that the committee has 3 issues to consider – the February 12th Senate meeting, the 50th anniversary of the Senate and CSULA’s Presidents visit to the Spring Emeriti’s luncheon.

She opened the discussion with plans for the February 12th Senate meeting wherein the Emeriti are the special guests.

*The committee agreed that on February 12, 2013:*

* The words from one of her two handouts would be placed on/or attached to the Senate’s agenda (“To our colleagues in the CalStateLA Academic Senate may the next 50 years be as sweet as the first 50…!” The Emeriti Association).
* Celebratory cup cakes would be placed at the entry for anyone who wished one.
* Those Emeriti who served in academic governance would stand and share past participation experiences in the Senate. Previous types of personal activities will not be shared.

The senate history video would be passed out to attendees.

B. Taylor confirmed that the Executive Committee would meet at 10:00a.m. before the 1:30a.m Senate meeting.

**4.5       Fiscal Affairs Chair: Joseph Casanova**

**4.5.1 Increase Dues**

J. Casanova reviewed the reason why the committee should consider an increase in dues – a steady reduction in the amount of dollars in the treasury for the past 7 years due to income not matching disbursement. It was recommended that Contributing Life Membership be eliminated and Regular dues be increased by $10.

***Comments from the Members:***

* + - The new president may not support the activities of the Emeriti, thus the treasury must cover cost.
    - There exist enough envelopes to last into 2014-2015; the committee in the past had agreed not to act on this issue until we deplete the current number of envelopes.
    - The constitutional amendment would have to be presented at the spring luncheon when the President is scheduled as the guest speaker. this would not be a good time to discuss an increase in dues.
    - The membership may wish to consider broadening the membership to include other retirees, as staff and faculty, as is done on other campuses and in other organizations.
    - The fellowship program should support itself, especially in this time of low interest rates and some targeted fellowships containing very low balances. There should be a limit on the amount of treasury augmentation of fellowships that have low balances. Any low-balance fellowship should be awarded every three years and not yearly.
    - The Emeriti Association should have a separate Fund Drive for the sole purpose of supporting the emeriti fellowships.
    - Find ways for the public and non-active/non-financial Emeriti to know the Association’s activities and increase desire to participate – public relations need improvement.
    - D. Margaziotis produced and distributed two informative sheets of data
      * “Emeriti and Emeriti Association members – 2012” lists the number of all emeriti in each category defined by the 2012 Directory of Emeriti & Emeriti Association Members using data from the Association’s database, see Appendix to these minutes.
      * “Tenure/Tenure Track Faculty” bar chart shows the approximate current age profile of CSULA tenure/tenure track faculty estimated from the year of the baccalaureate degree shown in the online version of the 2011-2014 University Catalog, with potential implications on the expected number of retirees over the next few years.
      * Partial analysis of data – the dues increase discussion would not net many dollars as few retirees are in the paying categories under discussion.

The committee agreed to continue the discussion at later date that could include the following three items:

**M/S/P** - Create an ad-hoc sub-committee to research the possibility of a constitutional expansion of membership.

**M/S/P** – Postpone the recommendation for a dues increase for one year.

M/S/Table – Designate a member on the executive committee responsible for Public Relations for the Emeriti Association.

**4.6       Treasurer:  Joseph Casanova**

Report accepted as presented

**4.7       Fellowship Fund Chair:  Vicente Zapata**

January through October is the time period for working on the fellowships. There is an immediate need for Dr. Garcia to begin work with V. Zapata. He thanked the committee for the cooperation given him during his term of office. **M/S/P** - The committee commends V. Zapata for his extraordinary leadership in administering the Fellowship Fund.

**4.8       Life Long Learning Program Liaison: Peter Brier**

**4.8.1** T.C**., Michael Sonksen, Graduate Student Assistant, Life Long Learning Program –** 1:36 p.m. M. Sonksen expressed his gratitude for the opportunity to serve with the program, told a little about himself as journalism major, and recited a poem that he wrote. The committee expressed their appreciation for his assistance with the LLL program.

Regular Time: P. Brier reported that H. Goldwhite is to continue part II of his presentation on *Gilbert and Sullivan*.

S. Burstein will lecture at Holenbeck and Pasadena on the *Life and Times of Cleopatra*. V. Potter will continue her series on poetry at South Pasadena; she was commended on her longevity in the program.

**4.9       Historian/Archivist: Stanley Burstein**

Renee James is leaving CSULA for Arazona State.

**4.10     Corresponding Secretary: Marilyn Friedman**

No Report

**4.11     Membership Secretary: Karen Johnson**

Jean LaQuor sent her membership dues and Steven Felszeghy joined the association.

**4.12     Webmaster: Demetrius Margaziotis**

* An entry was added to the website describing this year’s Emeriti Fellowship Awards recipients, including a photograph.
* The email addresses on the association’s mailing lists on the tazif listserve were updated.
* Routine maintenance of the website was done.

**4.13     Database Coordinator:  Harold Cohen**

Robert Land and Carolyn Frank retired from the Charter College of Education. H. Cohen explained the difference between the terms “list and a directory” used in his database.

**4.14     Secretary: T. Jean Morrow-Adenika**

No Report

**4.15     *Emeritimes* Editorial Chair:  Harold Goldwhite**

He reported that the material is ready to be placed in the envelopes on January 22, 2013, at a time to be announced later. The deadline for the spring material has not been established.

**4.16     CSULA Academic Senator: John Cleman**

No Report

**4.17     CSU Academic Senator:  Harold Goldwhite**

The senate will meet on January 16 – 18; the new Chancellor will meet with them on January 16.

**4.18     CSU ERFA Council: Donald Dewey, Dorothy Keane, William Taylor**

The state council will meet in April; the “volunteer” survey should be completed by that time.

**4.19 2013 Gigi Gaucher-Morales Memorial Conference: Ted Crovello, Donald Dewey**

D. Dewey shared a poster designed by Roberto Cantu. The 2014 conference will discuss a Chicano author. The term Modernities was defined/discussed by T. Crovello and D. Dewey as “breaking away from traditions.”

**5.0       Old Business**

5.1 Emeriti Volunteers: A discussion of this item is postponed until the completion of the ERFA survey results.

**6.0       New Business**

**6.1 Emeritimes Electronic Distribution**

There was general agreement that readers of the newsletter should be able to receive it via the Internet or paper; it is currently on the Emeriti web site. It was recommended that this issue be kept on the agenda.

**6.2 Appointment of Fellowship Fund Chair**

At 1:16 p.m. B. Taylor announced that Ray Garcia would become the chair of the Fellowship Fund committee until June 30, 2013 to serve out the term of V. Zapata. V. Zapata will remain serving as a committee member.

**6.2 Add to February Agenda**

Eileen Roberts is retiring in June 2013; the association should decide how to recognize her contributions to CSULA.

**Adjournment – 2:42 p. m.**

*Respectfully Submitted, Jean Adenika, Secretary*

**EMERITI AND EMERITI ASSOCIATION MEMBERS - 2012**

(SOURCE: JANUARY 2012 DIRECTORY)

LIFE MEMBERS (**LM**): 170

CONTRIBUTING LIFE MEMBERS (**CLM**): 25

SURVIVING SPOUSES OF LIFE MEMBER **(\*LM**): 34

SURVIVING SPOUSES OF CONTRIBUTING LIFE MEMBER **(\*CLM**): 6

REGULAR ANNUAL MEMBERS (**RM**): 43

SUPPORTING ANNUAL MEMBERS (**SM**): 19

ASSOCIATE LIFE MEMBERS (**ALM**): 2

SURVIVING SPOUSES OF ASSOCIATE LIFE MEMBER (**\*AM**): 1

NOT ACTIVE REGULAR ANNUAL MEMBERS (**XRM**): 86

NOT ACTIVE SUPPORTING ANNUAL MEMBERS (**XSM**): 23

NOT ACTIVE ASSOCIATE MEMBER (**XAM**): 1

NOT ACTIVE SURVIVING SPOUSES OF ASSOC LIFE MEMBER (**X\*AM**): 4

NOT A MEMBER OF THE ASSOCIATION (**XX**): 98

HONORARY MEMBERS (**HM**): 1

**MEMBERS PAYING ANNUALLY:** RM+SM = 19 + 43 = **62**

**MEMBERS NOT PAYING ANNUALLY (ALL EXCEPT RM, SM)** = **352**

**NON-MEMBERS OF THE ASSOCIATION (XX, NOT PAYING) = 98**

**TOTAL ENTRIES ON 2012 EMERITI DIRECTORY = 62 + 351 + 98 = 511**

