**California State University, Los Angeles Emeriti Association**

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**Date: November 13, 2014**

Place: Student Affairs 110

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

 **Minutes of the Executive Committee**

**Present:** J. Adenika, P. Brier, J. Casanova, M. Cates, J. Cleman, H. Cohen, T. Crovello, D. Dewey, H. Goldwhite, A. Gonzalez, J. Johnson, D. Keane, D. Margaziotis, R. Marshall-Holt, L. Mathy, V. Potter, F. Stahl, W. Taylor, D. Vernon

**Absent:**  J, Fisher-Holt, M. Friedman, N. Hunt, B. Sinclair, H. Villarreal

1. **Announcements**

D. Keane made the following announcements.

 Congratulations to Bill Taylor who recently celebrated his 50th Wedding Anniversary.

 Congratulations to Joan Johnson who has Tennis Court #1 named in her honor. This was announced by Billie Jean King at the annual fund raiser. I must also add that I won the bid for the Wimbledon package. I’ll be watching on center court for three days, one of which will be in Billie Jean’s box.

 An 80th birthday celebration for Nat Trives, Emeritus Professor of Criminal Justice and former Mayor of Santa Monica, will be held on the Santa Monica Pier on December 9, from 6:00 to 9:00 pm. Maria Magolske will be stopping in today to tell us about it.

 Thank you to all who contributed to a very successful Fall Luncheon and thank you to Dimitri for posting the pictures on our web site.

 Ray Garcia’s memorial was held last Saturday. It was a touching event that was attended by more than 100 of Ray’s former students. His brother spoke of how touched he was to see so many people honor Ray’s memory. He asked to take a picture to have as a remembrance of the outpouring of appreciation and love for Ray.

 Dr Raphe Sonenshein of the Pat Brown Institute requested that she announce an important conference on Friday, November 14, “Is The California Dream Dying of Thirst?” It will be held in the Golden Eagle Ballroom from 8:15 AM to 2:00 PM. The cost is $55.00. If anyone is interested in attending, I would be happy to contact Raphe to request a fee waiver.

 Harold Cohen has informed me that he is retiring as Database Coordinator. We appreciate Harold’s contributions over many years.

D. Dewey circulated the latest program for the 2015 Conference on “Mariano Azuela and the Novel of the Mexican Revolution”,. It is scheduled May 15-16, 2015, and is co-sponsored by the Emeriti Association.

He also volunteered to send the University report on “Visioning” for anyone who has not received it and reported a call from Robert Smallenburg regarding a check for the Fellowship fund.

H. Goldwhite reported that a scholarship in honor of Ray Garcia has been approved.

F. Stahl distributed invitations to the next meeting of the Executive Committee at Villa Gardens on **Wednesday,** December 10. We will meet in the lobby at 11:30 a.m. at the latest. We will have lunch then in the Garden Room and will conduct our December meeting in that same room after the tables are cleared. Anyone not planning to be at the luncheon should inform Frieda at 626-405-0218

**2.0 Approval of Agenda**

##  M/s/p with the addition of 6.1, Other Scholarships; early placement of 4.16 to enable J. Cleman to meet another commitment; and a time certain for Maria Magolske to discuss a special honor for Emeritus Professor Nat Trives.

**3.0 Approval of Minutes**

 M/s/p with the insertion of “CSU” as the first word of 4.17.

**4.0 Officer and Committee Reports and Pursuant Actions**

**4.1 President Dorothy Keane**

 She read a letter from Nat Trives, former mayor of Santa Monica and Emeritus Professor of Criminal Justice, regarding his 80th birthday party on December 9 from 6:00 to 9:00 p.m. The entire Santa Monica pier has been set aside for the celebration, which is designed as a fund raiser for many of Nat’s favorite causes, including California State University, Los Angeles, and its Emeriti Association.

 She reported that her Monrovia home is in the earthquake zone.

**4.2 President William Taylor**

No report.

**4.3 Vice President for Administration John Cleman**

 No report, although he then presented his Academic Senate report.

 The Senate considered three policies that had been returned from the President unsigned. The President’s suggested revisions were accepted for two of these. The third was slightly revised to extend EOP students’ eligibility fo early registration to one term beyond the first year.

 There was again extended discussion of the use of clickers for Senate voting.  The real issue turned out to be transparency:  whether every vote should be recorded and the voter’s identity known.  This was a residue from heated debate regarding ethnic studies last year.  Clickers only show the total votes, not how individuals voted. The debate will likely continue.

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**4.4 Vice President for Programs Diane Vernon**

She regretted that a personal injury prevented her from attending the annual luncheon that she organized, but she had heard that it was a success in all respects. When asked about the price for lunch, she speculated that prices will be increasing rather than decreasing.

 D. Keane praised Alfredo Gonzalez for the skill and grace with which he on short notice replaced the fallen Ray Garcia and injured D. Vernon. He in turn thanked J. Fisher-Hoult and T. Crovello for their assistance.

 D.. Keane also praised D. Margaziotis for the pictures of the students that are on the website and requested that individual pictures be forwarded to the award recipients. After discussion about the procedure for accomplishing this, Dorothy agreed to send them and D. Margaziotis has sent her copies for mailing.

**4.5 Treasurer Marshall Cates**

The balance in our account is $13,985.21. Expenses for the lunch were only $14.73 less than receipts. Contributions to the Fellowship Fund totaled $1,410. he Fellowship Fund. $740 was added in membership payments.

**4.6 Fiscal Affairs Chair Marshall Cates**

No report.

**4.7 Fellowship Fund Chair Alfredo Gonzalez**

Half of the recipients have written their thanks for the honor and support. One even got Bobbie Lloyd’s address to write her personally.

**4.8 Life Long Learning Program Coordinator Peter Brier**

**4.9 Historian/Archivist Stanley Burstein**

No report.

**4.10 Corresponding Secretary Marilyn Friedman**

Not present. .

**4.11 Membership Secretary Rosemarie Marshall-Holt**

No report. D. Keane expressed her concern that new members recruited by R. Marshall and D. Keane were almost immediately reported as former members because they weren’t notified of the dues fiscal year as stated in our bylaws. She asked approval of granting the newer members (those who joined in April on), would have those dues counted as current. The committee concurred.

 Discussion evolved that questioned the category of “Life Associate member.” This will be on the next agenda. She also proposed that the recently appointed staff Associates be recorded as lifetime members without the payment of lifetime dues. After considerable discussion this was also held for the December meeting

**4.12 Webmaster Demetrius Margaziotis**

D. Margaziotis informed the committee that he has posted on the home page of the website a) a link to a page describing the fellowships awarded to students during the Fall luncheon with a picture of each student receiving their certificate, b) a link to a collection of pictures (with captions) taken (mostly by Ted Crovello) during the luncheon and c) a link to a location of the website that holds high resolution versions of all pictures that can be downloaded by anyone interested.

**4.13 Database Coordinator Harold Cohen**

H. Cohen announced that he wishes to resign as soon as a replacement is found, but certainly no later than June. He has provided D. Keane with names of several well qualified replacements. He also presented proposed envelopes to be used by the committee.

**4.14 Secretary Donald Dewey (Acting)**

No report..

**4.15 Emeritimes Editorial Chair Harold Goldwhite**

Be alert for deadlines but there are none yet to report. Please send articles. There will definitely be a feature article on Ray Garcia. .

 **Time Certain, 1:40**

Maria Magolske from the Office for Universiy Advancement appeared to discuss the Trives project. She will cooperate with the Emeriti Association in playing our role as a sponsor of the party, including creating a logo that will compare with those of the scores of other charities hoping to prosper from Nat’s birthday bash. She also announced that there is already $16,000 in the fund for the Ray Garcia scholarship. She added that President Covino was unable to attend the Ray Garcia memorial because of a long-scheduled meeting with the President of USC in association with a basketball game between the two universities.

**4.16 CSULA Academic Senator John Cleman**

 His report is presented as part of 4.3.

**4.17 CSU Academic Senate Harold Goldwhite**

He named the Senate resolutions that were described in a report sent to the Executive Committee. They were “Improving Campus Sexual Assault and Sexual Violence Policies,” “ Protecting the Academic Freedom of California State University Faculty,”, “Goal Setting for Academic Performance Measures for Academic Sustainability Plan,” “ Commendation for **Wayne Tikkanen** as outgoing Faculty Director of the CSU Institute of Teaching and Learning;” “ California State University Board of Trustees’ Proposed 2015-2016 Support Budget,” “Support for Encouraging 11th Graders to Take the SAT/ACT: There were two first readings, “Need for a Current Comprehensive CSU Policy on Academic Freedom” and “Non-Tenure Track Faculty and Shared Government in the CSU.: The latter may be of special interest to Emeriti as they discuss Associate status for adjunct faculty and some staff.

 He reported that the Academic Senate supported the Trustees’ Support Budget but warned that the CSU will receive what the Governor proposes, that he may utilize the veto power. We will remain billions of dollars less than our long-standing needs.

**4.18 CSU ERFA Council: Donald Dewey, Dorothy Keane, John Cleman**

D. Dewey was proud of the large number of Council members from this campus at the October meeting. In addition to the usual three representatives (though with Bill Taylor replaced by John Cleman because Bill was attending a 50th anniversary party presented by his sons) there were four others from LA: President Barbara Sinclair, founding member Len Mathy, *Reporter* Editor Ted Anagnoson and CFA liaison Harold Goldwhite. The seven councilors from Los Angeles were 23 percent of the attendees. Only the host campus, Dominguez Hills, had as many as three representatives and several large campuses were represented by only one.

 The chair of the legislative committee was especially concerned about the growing threats to pensions of public employees. CSU-ERFA donated $4,800 to the Retired Public Employees Association because it is a political group that shares ERFA interests and lobbies for them. After the meeting the Council visited the impressive and historic California State University Archives in the Dominguez Hills Library.

 CSU-ERFA is in strong fiscal condition because of the many services provided by the Northridge campus on which they are based, and more recently because their biennial meetings are hosted at campuses such as San Jose, Pomona, Fullerton, Long Beach and Dominguez Hills rather than at an expensive LAX hotel. He reminded members that rebates from campus members of CSU-ERFA are an important addition to our budget

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

No report other than the program that was circulated previously.

**5.0 Old Business**

**6.0 New Business**

**6.1 Other Scholarships, Dorothy Keane**

 D Keane reported that a request was received that an emeritus faculty member’s scholarship in Engineering be transferred to the Emeriti Association for administration. She reported that the money in that account is considerably smaller than the awards that we give and we should consider that augmentation would be needed from our own funds to bring the scholarship to an equitable level. There was debate on whether the Emeriti Association should establish clear policy for augmentation of small fellowships rather than ad hoc decisions when the Fellowship Committee requests extra funding. We have generally built awards up to $1000, but not always. The meeting was adjourned without resolution though there seemed to be consensus that D. Keane can talk to Neda Fabris about the tenuous nature of such resolutions if she feels it is necessary. However the issue will be old business in the December meeting, so D. Keane should proceed only if she sees clear reason for haste.

**Adjourned at 2:45 p.m.**

Submitted by: D. Dewey