Council of the University of California Retiree Associations (CUCRA)

Meeting Minutes, October 27 2016, UC Santa Cruz

OFFICERS:

Lee Duffus (UCSC), Chair; Marianne Schnaubelt (UCI) Vice Chair/Chair-elect; John Pitts (LLNL), Secretary; John Dahl (UCLA), Treasurer; Rod Seeger (UCSF), Information Officer; Marian Gade (UCB), Past Chair

OFFICERS, CENTER DIRECTORS, ASSOCIATION REPRESENTATIVES AND OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE:

Sue Abeles(UCLA), Lynn Bailiff (UCB), Mike Chandler (UCD), John Dahl (UCLA), Janis Dairiki (LBNL), Dave Dodson(UCSC), Jim Dolgonas (UCOP), Lee Duffus (UCSC), Marian Gade (UCB), Jeff Garberson (LLNL), Don Grether (LBNL), Gail Harden (UCSF), Adrian Harris (UCLA), Maggie Herrera (UCR), Marguerite Jackson (UCSD), Mary Johnson (UCR), Joe Lewis (UCOP), Robert Mann (UCSB), John Meyer (UCD), Sandra Norberg (UCSF), Nancy Pascal (UCSC), John Pitts (LLNL), Rod Rose (UCLA), Marianne Schnaubelt (UCI), Bernadette Strobel-Lopez (UCI), Antonia Sweet (UCB)

Agenda Item	Discussion	Action / Responsibility / Deadline
1. Call to Order	Chair Lee Duffus called the meeting to order at 9 AM. He asked everyone to introduce themselves.	
2. Minutes approval	Minutes of the April 26, 2016 CUCRA meeting were corrected to include that the budget was increased by \$2000 to support the CUCRA survey.	

3. Treasurer's Report	John Dahl passed out a detailed financial report as of September 30, 2016 showing assets of \$48,867.90 with expected assets of \$43,949.53 at year end.	After considerable discussion, a motion was made and passed to keep the reserve equal to the total of the current and prince year's total expenses as a minimum.
4. Vice Chair's Report	Marianne Schnaubelt reported that the Retiree Association Program Support (RAPS) replaced the previous grant program. Three proposals received funding: One was to UCSB to make banners saying 'UC Santa Barbara Retirees Association' for use in various functions. A second was to Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory to reach out to all their retirees to capture contact information A third was given to UCLA for a dedicated laptop computer to pass information between present officers to successive officers. Marianne thanked Marian Gade and Lee Duffus for all their fine work as past and present Chair. Marian and Lee in turned thanked all officers and others for their help.	
5. Chair's Report	Lee noted that his report had been passed out earlier.	
6. Survey Committee	Lynn Bailiff relayed that the survey committee completed a draft survey. A pretest was sent out and results were used for improvement. The final survey was sent out on October 3. To date 4270 responses have been received. Next is to clean up the data, evaluate and analyze the results	
7. Nominating Committee Report and Election of Officers	Janis Dairiki was pleased to relay that Marianne Schnaubelt, Joe Lewis and Gail Harden have agreed to be nominated for President, Vice-President and Secretary respectively. There were no additional nominations from the floor.	A motion was made and passed to elect these three candidates. Their terms of office start January 1, 2017.
8. Discussion of Membership	John Dahl passed out information comparing individual campus member assessment vs. universal campus member assessment for possible future use	

in determining CUCRA dues. No action was taken, rather there was a	
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why make any change, how to choose which of many possibilities for dues each campus would need to pay. Further discussion is needed.	
John Dahl discussed the proposed budget showing total income of \$8025, with proposed expenses of \$18,531 for a deficit of \$10,506.	After considerable discussion the 2017 budget was approved as submitted.
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Minutes written by John Pitts, CUCRA Secretary and edited by both Lee Duffus and Marianne Schnaubelt, CUCRA Chair and Chairelect