ASSOCIATION BOARD MEETING MINUTES

DATE: 1-8-2014

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT [X]: ABSENT [-]

President: Stephen Cederbaum [x ] President Elect: Daniel Mitchell [x] Past President John Edmond [x] 

Newsletter Chair: Jean Aroeste [x] Archivist: Ralph Johnson [x]

Book Exchange Chair: Toshi Ashikaga [-] Membership Chair: Joyce Ludmer [x]

Biobib Survey Chair: Charles Best [x] Welfare Chair/CUCEA Rep: David Lopez [x]

Faculty Center Rep: Bruce Miller [x] Faculty Women’s Club: Bette Billet [x] ERCC Director:Eddie Murphy [-] ERCC representative: Jonathan Bates[x] Arts/Crafts Chair: Noel Carterette [-] Program Chair: Judith Smith [-] Member-at-Large: Betty Chang [x]

Hospitality Chair: Gloria Turner [x] Recording Secretary: Barbara Lippe [x] Auditor: Maaza Woldemusie [x]

Treasurer: Jane Permaul [x] Corresponding Secretary Diane Childs [x]

1. Minutes of the Meeting 12/04/2013 ACTION: Approved

2. President’s Report Steve Cederbaum

A- Update on reactions to the changes in the UC health plan-impact on Emeriti- There continue to be few complaints that were passed on to David Lopez. The board was reminded that those instate members who needed to make a change in the plan they were assigned could do so by end of March.

B- Update of the website: Site is complete although not yet seen by other than Eddie. Some content already developed and ready to post. Still need a webmaster to Chair a Website committee and decide on content.

ACTION: David, Dan, Paul and Jane appointed as an ad hoc committee to recruit a webmaster. Charles suggested we look at the UC Davis Website as an example of content and organization and look at the FWC site for another example.

C- Update of the Survey Committee: The overall tone of responses were complementary and supportive. Steve and Diane continued to stress the value of the paper newsletter but also to create a presence for it on the website. Jean’s prior points regarding timing of the current 3 newsletters were considered, but the discussion still focused on trying to add a 4th letter and having both paper and on-line publication. Diane also pointed out that the response to the survey were primarily from EA members, with few none members [who represent more than 2/3 of Emeriti] participating. Note that while the fall issue goes to all Emeriti, the other issues are
just to Association Members which might account for the response. David Lopez suggested to find ways to communicate with older faculty about what retirement is all about.

**ACTION:** Jean, Carol Pateman and Dick Weiss were suggested to help create content for blast news as well as decide how to expand to a 4th newsletter and to develop a way to send out monthly blast emails to individual mailboxes with Emeriti news. Facebook Status: Yousee Elayemeriti has only 33 friends. Betty commented this could partially be due to the site structure which does not allow for communication among friends or to see posts of friends etc.

**ACTION:** Once a webmaster for site is identified the structure will have to be changed to allow for intercommunication. Dan will start that process.

D- Electronics: Steve purchased a recording device for the Board to be used for archiving lectures, etc [with speaker permission] and board meetings.

E- Request to meet needs of older faculty emeriti: Discussion of what resources might be available, and how to make them known to emeriti. Eddie’s office does some of this and the use of the Fisher fund was mentioned which is also in Eddie’s office. That office also holds the Weinstein Fund but those are primarily allocated for the Art Show although there may be some way to see if some might also fall into this discussion.

**ACTION:** Jane to check with the University Disabilities Center to explore resources. Steve to continue to look for ways EA members could help individually, while pursuing the role the University has in this area.

F- Emericorp: Carol Goldberg’s program to assist faculty not progressing from Associate Professor. Steve, John, Dan, and Eddie are meeting with her and Steve Yeazell to work out details and suggestions on who to recruit Emeriti as mentors.

G- “Ask forgiveness and not permission” Steve pointed out that spending small amounts on necessary items should not need preapproval by the board but made a motion for board to approve this expenditure.

**ACTION:** Board approved purchase. Board further discussed that a yearly budget should contain allocated budget categories for committee heads and individuals to use without formal board approval. See Treasurers report [3] below.

H- Mentoring Chair: The decision to seek an Emeriti member to Chair the Mentoring Committee was reaffirmed.

I- Reception at the Chancellors House: Initial one was for Retirees in the past three years and that went very well. Thus, it will be continued on a yearly basis for past year retirees.

3. **Treasurer’s Report**

A- Nothing new except for the decision, see 2 G above, to allocate a category in the budget for necessary expenditures without pre-approval and a motion to approve another expenditure made for the Jan 9th Opera workshop.

**ACTION:** Board approved $200.00 for the pianist for the Opera workshop.

**ACTION:** Board approved retroactively the purchase of recorder and microphone for $106.04.
**ACTION:** Jane and Maaza asked to work out a structure and amount limit for fund which do not need preapproval, and present to board.

4. **Old Business**
   
   A- Who brings the cookies? Jonathan volunteered for the next meeting
   
   **ACTION:** Board needs to formalize this a bit more.
   
   B- Panunzio Award for this year- Dan said the nomination for Joyce Appleby was submitted [after the meeting concluded] and efforts are being made to get appropriate supporting documents. We will also contact other campuses to see if they are participating this year. It was pointed out that the Vice President of EA is in charge of seeing that Awards that Emeriti are eligible for are brought forth each year but that the University Office of Academic Personnel has final responsibility for the award.

5. **New Business**
   
   A- Group in Facebook for Yousee Elayemeriti- Betty Chang
   
   Discussion continued on how to change the format to encourage interaction.
   
   **ACTION:** Formation of a group where anyone can submit items which would be viewed by entire group was approved.

6. **Committee Reports**
   
   A- Membership Joyce Ludmer
   
   A summary of the mid-term membership analysis, with its categories [self, self+associate, honorary] was presented along with the dollar amount collected. [see appended- final version to be discussed at next meeting] The total number of paid regular members to date is 530 as per the attached report from the Membership chair.
   
   a. From the amount collected EA gives $2.00 per regular members to CUCEA

   B- Corresponding Secretary Diane Childs
   
   Four Emeriti were identified as having died . See appended

   C- Newsletter Jean Aroeste
   
   Newsletter will include a call for nominations for Vice-President/President Elect, Member at Large, Treasurer, and Corresponding Secretary, as well as include committee reports and a CUCEA meeting update.

   D- Audit Maaza Woldemusie
   
   Reviewed the 2012-2013 Treasurer Report. Confirmed documentation and accuracy.

   E- Joint Committee on Emeriti/Retiree Housing Charlie Berst
   
   Discussion on potential sites and available options at this time. No action taken
7. Meeting adjourned at 3:15 PM