ASSOCIATION BOARD MEETING MINUTES

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT [X]:  ABSENT [-]

President: Daniel Mitchel [X]  President Elect: Betty Chang [X]  Past President: Stephen Cederbaum [X]

Recording Secretary: Barbara Lippe [X]  Newsletter Chair: Jean Aroeste [X]  Welfare Chair/CUCEA Rep:  David Lopez [x]

[ft] deceased

DATE: 12/3/2014  LOCATION LUSKIN Bldg 5391  1:30 PM

1. Introductory remarks  Mitchell
   Mitchell noted that this was Eddie Murphy’s last EA Board meeting after 16 years of working with us, teaching us, and mentoring us. She will be missed

2. Minutes of the Meeting:  Nov 5th 2014  ACTION: APPROVED  Lippe

3. Presidents Report:  Mitchell
   Mitchell informed the Board that John Dahl, former President of the Retiree’s Association was appointed by Carole Goldberg to temporarily fill in while a formal search for a replacement for Murphy was taking place.

4. Old Business/New Business  Mitchell
   a. Progress of website http://www.uclaemeritiassociation.org  Cederbaum

Cederbaum noted that Jonathan Bates of ERRC was trying to get the URL for the website to be the first that pops up when one goes to find it. It also has to be consistent with other
organizations on the campus. There is a problem with browser discrepancies. He also reminded the board that the formal Website Committee was Cederbaum, Childs, Aroeste, Chang, and Permaul. ACTION: The membership vote to constitute this as a standing committee will take place at the May 13, Emeriti Awards.

b. Logo for EA Lippe

Lippe received one LOGO design in two versions, from Mel Shapiro [School of Theater Arts], which was circulated by email to the board prior to the meeting and hard copies were reviewed by the board at the meeting. While the setting or rising sun versions were interesting, they were deemed too color dependent. Woldemusie noted that when she mentioned it to retirees group Michael Stone, a member, pointed out there were many logos used by the University and one might be suitable and we don't need to do this. The board noted that the deadline for submissions was Dec 31st so no action would be taken until January. ACTION: If other submissions do not occur, Smith had previously agreed to talk to Rebecca Allen, Chair, Design/Media Arts Department to see if creating a LOGO was a project they would be willing to take on.

5. New Business
   a. Who brings the cookies? ACTION: Woldemusie has volunteered for the January meeting.
   b. Vote on a new EA member Taylor and Board

An application was received from Ivan Strenski, an Emeriti Distinguished Professor in the Department of Religious Studies at UC Riverside who lives in Los Angeles. As per the BILAWS, Article 1, section 4, Emeriti from another campus who meet UCLA criteria can become EA Members subject to approval by the membership committee and the Executive Board. Caballero noted that he was already participating in UCLA activities including FWC play reading [his wife is a member of the FWC]. ACTION: Motion made by Taylor and approved by the Board. Taylor will send him a membership form and extend the recently approved offer of first year membership free.

c. Suggestion of EA donating a flat screen TV to faculty Center Cederbaum

Cederbaum noted that he felt there was a need to stimulate more faculty and Emeriti interaction to gather people together, and have them interact. The TV might help develop a place in the Faculty Center where more spontaneous interactions could take place and that a large screen TV in a room that was frequented by both, might draw people together [ex; watch an event that was happening now; or a ball game, or hear a speech etc]. There was discussion about cost, long-term maintenance, location, and other issues relative to need for other upgrades to the center [primarily in the AV area]. ACTION: A motion was made to bring the idea to the Faculty Center Management [via Bruce Miller] and passed [7 in favor, 4 against, remainder abstained]. ACTION: Miller will report back after hearing from the FC management.

6. Committee Reports- Standing and Requested
   a. Treasurer Permaul
      i. Report given and appended. No actions needed.
   b. ERRC Murphy
i. Ralph Johnson’s wife was very appreciative of the Obituary – paid for by EA

ii. Murphy reminded the Board that the Director of the ERRC sits as a liaison with Belmont. In that capacity Murphy reported that Belmont has agreed to provide EA with a COLA to its usual annual payment to the EA starting July 2015 [amount not yet specified].

iii. Murphy noted that in response to requests from surviving spouses of Emeriti for an exercise program on campus, NOT located in the Wooden center [ie; more suited to older participants] a space will be provided in the Kinross Bldg providing balance and strengthening equipment. Michael Goldstein will be organizing it and they will have an open house [no date given]

iv. American Council on Education has asked UCLA to participate in a pilot project funded by the Alfred P. Sloan foundation to study specific areas of faculty retirement. They have specifically asked to speak with retired faculty association. Murphy will coordinate the meetings before she leaves.

v. More Kudo’s to Murphy on her retirement

c. Membership

i. 468 Members or new members had joined/rejoined as of November 17th with a breakdown of 252 paid individual members, 138 self plus spouse memberships, 65 members > 85 years [and 20 spouses] and 13 new members [5 spouses]. Thus the 468 expands to 631 if spouses are counted. Bates informed Cederbaum that there were more envelopes at the ERRC which had not yet been processed which might bring the member number to 509. For background Bates also provided the numbers for the last 4 years DAN- DOES THIS BELONG IN MINUTES? SINCE ANNA DIDN'T PROVIDE IT AS HER REPORT?? or wait until next month to see if there is a problem

d. Program/Hospitality

Turner reported that there were 74 members at the November Dinner which was low albeit the lecture was very well received. She announced there will be now two ways to pay for the forthcoming February 11th dinner meeting where Warren Olney will be speaker. She has initiated an electronic payment process, which will also be on the website, along with the current paper process and that this will be announced in the Newsletter, by a reminder blast email. We are doing this through the Affinity group in the Alumni Center [at no cost to the EA].

e. Faculty Women’s Club

Caballero reminded the EA board that the FWC Annual Scholarship Dinner will take place at the Faculty Center on February 3rd. Given that student scholarships are of interest to the Emeriti as well, EA members were encouraged to attend. This raised the discussion among the Board of whether the EA should reconsider having its own scholarship program or whether we could do something like supporting one of the FWC scholarships, in our name, or establish our own program perhaps targeted at Jr College transfer students. ACTION: Add discussion of scholarships and other programs we can support to January agenda.

f. Corresponding Secretary:
The report of Deaths of UCLA faculty and Faculty spouses in the September-October time frame is appended. In addition, Childs noted that Ralph Turner, who died in April, finally got a memorial posted on the UCLA Newsroom Announcement in November. URL: http://newsroom.ucla.edu/stories/in-memoriam-ucla-sociology-ralph-turner. She also noted that when she reported on the death of George Sines in March the University there was no obituary to refer to but subsequently they appeared in University IS&C Deceased Annuitants Report for UCLA from UCOP, 5/1/2014 and he Los Angeles Times 5/11/2014. Finally William D. Van Vorst, who died in April has a paid obituary in the LA times on Nov 23 http://www.legacy.com/obituaries/latimes/obituary.aspx?pid=173247321.

g. Awards and Nominations

Dickson Emeriti Professorship Award: Chang had contacted Frank Chen and suggested he apply and Sinclair said that 4 people had been identified who would support the nomination. Panunzio Award: Sinclair said he had names of people who would support Joyce Appleby.

h. Emeriti News Letter

The winter schedule for the Winter 2015 Newsletter was circulated and included the due date for all material as Jan 7th. The Newsletter will highlight Winter Dinner Meeting and Program [Feb 11th], a call for nominations for next year’s officers [Recording Secretary, Vice President/President Elect, and Member at Large], Emeritus/a of the Year Award, the Arts and Crafts exhibit May 19th and other activities, events, reports, etc. ACTION: January 21st will be date for Volunteer Crew stuffing envelopes.

i. CUCUA

We are focusing on continuing our emphasis on what activities are available for emeriti to help stress there is a role for them going forward.

j. Joint Committee on Emeriti/Retiree Housing

In spite of the difficulty in locating space for new housing close to the campus, the joint committee on housing will be retained and continue and new members will be added including Sy Levin, an Emeriti Physician from the VA Center. Berst mentioned that there might be a possibility that some VA land could be available in the future, especially if some of the users were veterans. It was noted that ERRC director is heavily involved in this committee

h. University and Public Relations

The discussion focused on the Faculty Center. Bruce Miller, Claudia Mitchell-Kernan and John Power are now members of the Faculty Center Board and we are being reassured that the oversight of the Center will be carefully monitored. There was discussion about the election process and we are being reassured that the process was valid. The issue of its possible closure was discussed and transparency was stressed.

7. Consent Calendar “Report only if individual shown has opted prior to or at meeting to give report”

a. Archives Committee Report- Johnson
b. Arts and Crafts Carterette
c. Audit Woldemusie
d. Bibliographic Survey  
   e. Book Exchange  
   f. EUCLARA  
   g. Faculty Association  
   h. Faculty Center  
   i. University and Public Relations  
   j. EAC (Emeriti Affairs Committee)

Meeting was adjourned at 3:35 PM