

Minutes
Executive Board of the Emeriti Society
Monday, December 2, 2013
DeRosa Center

Present: Ken Beauchamp, Roland di Franco, Roseann Hannon, Doris Meyer, Glee Scully, Mike Sharp, Bill Topp

1. The emailed minutes from the meeting on November 11, 2013 were approved
2. Treasurer's Report. No change from 11/11/13.
3. Next Wine&Cheese: December 6 (Friday) 3:30-5:00, floor plan OKed. Jane Lewis donated part of the wine. Preregistration (under estimate) of 37.
4. Retirement Dinner April 16: the number of retirees is still undetermined (subsequent mid-December estimate of 21), and will remain so until the January revocation date passes. The McGeorge "reassignment" group may not be "retired" even though no longer on tenure track. We will deal with the size issue when we have a count.
5. Communication Corner Report:
 - (a) Spouses were offered the opportunity to decline listing in the expanded emeriti email directory, which should be by Christmas.
 - (b) Three email notices of the December W&C were sent.
 - (c) If and when a list of retirees is created, please send to Walt.
 - (d) Much progress made, but still need contact info for four spouses and seven emeriti.
6. Calendar of spring events: tentative suggestions included
 - (a) Definitely a W&C concerned with retiree issues (medical/finance) in March,
 - (b) Perhaps a W&C concerned with reports of retirement activities in March (not March 10-14),
 - (c) A luncheon in February with Pat Day and Marlin Bates as speakers,
 - (d) Maybe a retirement dinner on April 16,
 - (e) Perhaps another W&C with Bill Swagerty as speaker in April.
7. Oral History: Roy did send the description letter to Deans and dept. Chairs.
8. Doris did a brief note of fall 2013 activities for the Provost's Newsletter.

9. The Emeriti History document is completed. Still to be determined is how many to print for whom (besides new emeriti) at what cost. Glee noted that Claude Rohwer had written a history of McGeorge that might be included in the archives group.
10. Order of Pacific: The deadline for nominations has been extended into January. The President reconsidered Larry Brehm and reiterated no.
11. Next Executive Committee meeting: January 13, 10-12, DUC 215
12. Planning and Long Term Goals:
Bill handed out a discussion paper describing ideas partially gleaned from the retiree organizations meeting at UCDavis on November 19 that Doris and he attended. In brief summary, the contents included:
 - (a) A description of the structural relationship between an emeriti society, the members of that society, and the University. The emeriti group's demonstrable interest in and concern for the University *potentially* may include affecting to some limited degree the University's decision making, however that potential impact may depend entirely on the University administration's perception of the significance of the emeriti.
 - (b) The two roles of the Board are assumed to be to identify, promote, and facilitate creative relationships (1) between the University and the emeriti, and (2) among the emeriti membership. *If* these assumptions are correct, then what does the Board need to do? Two suggestions included (1) review and perhaps change the organizational structure of the Board, and (2) initiate service to the University possibilities for emeriti.
 - (c) Potential expanded outreach efforts to emeriti and possibly others were listed.
 - (d) Potential society self-promotion activities were listed.
 - (e) Two other organizational changes were suggested.

Glee suggested that a subset of one or two of these myriad ideas be addressed at the next meeting. Roland cautioned about trying to do too much with emeriti with limited time and interest, and cautioned about the University administration not being likely to want another group participating in University governance, particularly since the current administration is having so much difficulty as it is. It was suggested that the next meeting might address (1) the rotating chairs procedure and (2) the possibility of creating subcommittees to address specific issues. It was also suggested that the entire emeriti group should be polled about the purposes (goals) of the society and any major structural changes. If we do not survey the entire group then perhaps those attending events could be asked to comment.

Co-Chair rotation schedule:

January: Glee and Skip
February: Skip and Judy
March: Judy and Roland
April: Roland and Doris

Ongoing Tasks

Luncheons: Judy & Bill
Wine & Cheese: Doris & Mike
Cabbages & Kings: Mike
List masters: Walt & Bill
Emeriti Society Monograph: Doris & Bill
 Annual Update of Monograph: Emeriti Secretary
Oral History Project: Doris (increasing campus awareness --Roy)
Bridge to Asia: Roland
Provost's Office Contact: Roland
Retirement Dinner Liaison with Provost: Rosie
Welcome Letter to New Emeriti: Acting Chair
Academic Council Representative: Roland
University Compensation Committee: Ken