

Minutes of the Meeting of the Emeriti Executive Board
on March 5, 2018 in DUC 214
Submitted by: Mike Sharp
Chair: Roland di Franco

Present: Dick Abood, Ash Brown, Roland di Franco, Roseanne Hannon, Doris Meyer, Glee Scully, Jed Scully, Mike Sharp, Simalee Smith-Stubblefield, Bill Topp, Walt Zimmermann.

1. Minutes of meeting on 12 February 2018 corrected & approved. Number of attendees at the Spring Luncheon changed from 52 to 53 (Simalee). Walt introduced new "Guidelines for format of the minutes."
2. Treasurer's Report: Simalee reports that we have a balance of \$2728.76, just about \$100 less than our highest balance last fiscal year. The drop in the balance since last month is due to the fact that we paid for the 6 lunches of our invited guests, the Discovery Students.
3. Spring Luncheon (14 February): Discussion of the function of these 6 student guests. Doris asked Amy Field, Alumni Association employee who brought the students, about the purpose of their presence. Amy said that they wanted to make our acquaintance and probably, someone conjectured, to use this tie in their appeals to alumni for donations. Some Emeriti seemed uncomfortable with them although Ash said he had a good conversation with one at his table. Many members doubted the value of their presence; Roland cut to the core when he declared that it was "not worth the \$120" we paid for their lunches. We may want to discuss this further.
4. Retirement Reception: Simalee said that a reception may not take place this year.
5. The Spring 2018 W&C: Thursday, April 12 from 3:30 to 5:30 in the Alumni House. Lisa Cooperman, Curator of the University Art collections, will tell us about these collections and show us some examples for 30 minutes from 3:30 to 4. The remainder of the time will be devoted to good fellowship, good wine & cheese! In planning these events, Jed Scully warned about failing to remain "of service to the University" by losing our active voice in its business and by becoming a purely social "club." Most agreed that a balance must be maintained.
6. Emeriti History update for 2017: Bill & Walt assured the others that this is now complete.
7. Mike passed out an outline of the upcoming March 2018 issue of C&K and asked for contributions. Jed wrote about our speaker at the February Board meeting, Michael Schwartz, the newly appointed Dean of McGeorge. He said the new Dean felt pleased and invigorated by our reception.

Both Ash and Roland offered short articles for the C&K issue, hopefully to go out by March 15. Ash wrote about a class he is teaching to stimulate the interests of high school students in STEM courses. See details about Roland's C&K article under #9 "Academic Council."
8. Need for nominations of new Board Members since Ken Beauchamp's resignation: Ash Brown volunteered to take Ken's position at this week's Compensation Committee meeting, and will do so on a permanent basis.

In order to spark interest among emeriti colleagues about replacing Ken on the Executive Board, Jed will write an email encouraging them to become active and Walt will send it out in time for a response by March 26. Responses to be discussed at our Executive Board meeting on April 2.

9. Academic Council: Although still unable to attend a Council Meeting in person Roland wrote up his “sense” of what is going on there in light of recent events such as charges of a “lack of data transparency” among Council members and the upcoming WASC visit. Roland’s article to appear in C&K.
10. Website & Mailing List: Walt—no report.
11. Caring Committee: It was agreed that we need something like this. Roseanne suggested we contact other emeriti groups & ask what their Caring Committees do. Roland told how he had tried to get something like this started a few years ago & got no response. No agreement, but we decided to send Ken a card and a plant. Roland will get card, Bill will get plant.
12. Fall dates for Board meetings: Doris reserved DUC 214 from 10:30 to 12:30 for: August 6; Sep 10 (second Monday); October 1; November 5; December 3.
13. Jed will contact Berit Gundersen about speaking at our April meeting.
14. Meeting adjourned at 12:25PM

Chair Rotation Draft Proposal (Walt):

March 2018: Roland (Chair) and Mike (takes minutes)
April 2018: Mike (Chair) and Walt (takes minutes)
May 2018: Walt (Chair) and Roseann (takes minutes)
June 2018: Roseann (Chair) and Bill (takes minutes)
July 2018: No Meeting
August 2018: Bill (Chair) and Simalee (takes minutes)
September 2018: Simalee (Chair) and Ash (takes minutes)
October 2018: Ash (Chair) and Doris (takes minutes)
November 2018: Doris (Chair) and Dick (takes minutes)
December 2018: Dick (Chair) and Glee (takes minutes)

Ongoing tasks

Luncheons: Judy & Bill
Wine & Cheese: Doris & Mike
Cabbages & Kings: Mike
Communication Director: Bill
List master: Walt
Annual Update of Emeriti Society: Doris
Oral History project: Doris
Bridge to Asia: Roland
Provost ‘s Office Conduct: Roland
Retirement Dinner Liasion with Provost: Simalee
Welcome Letter to New Emeriti: Acting Chair
Academic Council Representative: Roland
University Compensation Committee: Ash
Emeriti/Retiree Resources group: Roland, Bill, Gary Howells, Roy