



**CSUSM Retirees Association Board of Directors
Minutes from Thursday, August 17, 2017
Commons 201 – 11:00 am to 1:00 pm**

Present:

- Don Barrett - Treasurer
- Laurie Lindeneau – Secretary
- Janet McDaniel - Chair
- Marcia Woolf – Vice Chair
- Arlene Cratsa (Retirees Association Coordinator)

The minutes of the May 25, 2017 Board of Directors meeting were approved as well as the agenda for the Thursday, August 17 meeting.

Chairs Report

Chair Janet McDaniel recapped the activities since the May 2017 Board of Directors meeting

- May 25 – “Life After CSUSM” panel discussion (9 attendees)
- June 3 – Annual Gala (several RA members)
- July 11 – Oceanside Museum of Art + Lunch (9 attendees)
- July 26 – Balboa Park Private Tour with Tomás Herrera-Mishler, CEO & President of Balboa Park Conservancy (19 attendees)

Coordinator’s Report – Arlene Cratsa

- Membership Report: 108 members (47 Lifetime and 60 Annual members)
 - Breakdown of memberships for 2016/2017
 - 5 Lifetime
 - 9 Lifetime upgrades
 - 11 Near-retirees
 - 4 New annual memberships
 - 18 Annual renewals
- Financial Report: Balance as of 8/10/2017 was \$11,869.42

Old Business

Nothing to report at this time

Action Items

BOD needs to replace Wayne Veres for the 2017/2019 term since he had to resign for personal reasons. After discussion and recommendations, Janet will contact members to ascertain their interest.

Upcoming Fall 2017 Programming

Arts and Lectures Series

- Eric O'Neill, Cybersecurity in an Age of Espionage – Tuesday, September 26 at 7:00 pm
 - Arlene will check with The Urge (across the street from the campus) to see if this would be good for Happy Hour before the lecture. If not, reservations will be made at Players.)
- Alicia Garza, Black Lives Matter – Wednesday, November 29 at 6:00 pm
 - Janet will check with Dean Fabbi to see if there is going to be a pre-reception. If so, could the Retirees be invited to attend?)

After discussion, it was decided to pass on the Full Moon Pier Walk at the Birch Aquarium for October 4 or October 5. Arlene will call to see if Birch Aquarium does this on a monthly basis.

(Called and the Full Moon Pier Walk happens only in July, August, September & October)

Palm Springs Excursion Discussion (for the spring)

After a lengthy discussion, the following was agreed upon:

- The excursion would begin on a Wednesday with an overnight stay and tour of selected venue would take place on Thursday.
- Suggested dates are:
 - February 28 – March 1 or
 - March 7 – 8
- Suggested tour venues
 - Sunnylands
 - Modernism (Architectural tours)
 - Zoo
 - Art Museum
 - Tram ride

Don will look at the Palm Springs tour calendar and Lauri will research the cost and availability of hotels. Don will connect with Laurie to coordinate their efforts.

(Don already checked the visitor bureau's calendar. February 28 to March 1 will work. There is a major tennis tournament in Indian Wells for a week starting March 7 so hotel rooms are already booked. Rooms are still available for February 28.)

The La Jolla walk, tour and lunch will be postponed until Vivienne Bennett is able and available to lead it.

Tukwut Times

Next issue scheduled to go out on September 5

Content due to Arlene by Friday, August 25 by the end of the business day.

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- Calendar of Events:

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Board of Directors Meeting continued

- Tuesday, September 26 at 7:00 pm - Eric O'Neill, Cybersecurity in an Age of Espionage (happy hour TBD)
- Wednesday, November 29 at 6:00 pm - Alicia Garza, Black Lives Matter (pre-reception or happy hour TBD)
- **Need to select next "Life After CSUSM" panel discussion – do we hold this after the next BOD meeting?**
- Save-the-date for:
 - Report to the Community (February 8, 2018)
 - Annual Retirees Association Luncheon and Business Meeting (April 20, 2018)
 - Gala (June 2, 2018)

Chair's Report by Janet McDaniel

Do You Remember? – Early Senate Meetings by Marcia Woolf

- For next issue, Janet will email Brooks Reid to see if he will do the next article on "How many Founders Were There?"

Member Profile – Vivienne Bennett

- Recap of Events
 - May 25 - "Life After CSUSM" – Janet to do write-up
 - July 11 - Oceanside Museum of Art – Laurie to do write-up
 - July 26 – Balboa Park Private Tour – Don will ask Marie Thomas to do write-up

Suggestions for next Tukwut Times:

Member Profile – Maureen Dupont; Dennis Guseman, Ernie and Leslie Zomalt, or Michael Yee

Retirement Tip – Janet McDaniel will write the tip to promote Kyle Button's monthly Guide to Retirement and Estate Planning.

Next Board Meeting:

Holding two dates to give options to the new BOD candidate:

- Wednesday, November 8 from 11:00 am to 1:00 pm or from Noon to 2:00 pm
- Thursday, November 16 from Noon to 2:00 pm

Minutes submitted by Arlene Cratsa, Retirees Association Coordinator