



Minutes from CSUSM Retirees Association Board of Directors Meeting
June 25, 2015

Present: Don Barrett, Treasurer; Lori Brockett, RA Executive Director; Stella Clark, Member at Large; Arlene Cratsa, RA Coordinator; Brenda Edgington, Secretary; Janet McDaniel, Chair; Sandy Punch, Vice-Chair; Brooks Reid, Outgoing Member at Large

Meeting was called to order by Chair McDaniel and minutes of March 25, 2015 meeting were approved.

Chair's Report (J McDaniel):

- Welcome to new member at large Stella Clark and thank you to outgoing member at large Brooks Reid
- Recap of events
 - MandoBasso Concert on March 27 – 50 attendees
 - Faculty Early Retirement Plan workshop on April 13: 8 attendees + 3 RA panelists
 - PERS workshop on April 15: Arlene handed out brochures
 - Annual Luncheon and Meeting on April 17: 34 attendees
Email received from President Haynes indicating she was glad to be there and with compliments to RA
 - Daley Ranch hike on April 21: 13 attendees
 - "Life After CSUSM" workshop on May 20: 9 attendees + 6 RA panelists
 - Downtown San Diego walkabout on June 8: 11 attendees
 - CSUSM Gala RA table on June 20: 10 at RA table + several other RA members at Gala
- Research project with Beverlee Anderson, Jennifer Jeffries, and Janet McDaniel
 - How faculty members make the decision to retire – a topic not studied much
 - Working on proposal for Institutional Review Board
- Article about how IHEs can help prepare employees for retirement was distributed; please read for our September BOD meeting: "Supporting the Culminating Stages of Faculty Careers" by Duranleau and McLaughlin.
- Lori will double check with HR that Yasuko Shirakawa is our new HR contact
- Thank you to Arlene for parking permits for board members

Coordinator's Report (A Cratsa)

- Membership
 - 64 members; 29 are lifetime members
 - 20 renewals
- Financial report
 - Balance of \$7,023.05
 - We need to become income-generating and self-supporting
 - We need to keep membership growing -
 - Donation at events, corporate sponsors, fees for events

Communication with CSUSM

- Still working on staff keeping email after retirement
 - Confidentiality issues
 - Affiliated with CSUSM
- Arlene will be meeting with IITS to update website
 - On HR page – csusm.edu/FSRA
 - Work on ability to update constantly
- Grant challenge with student philanthropy
 - \$600 is needed to meet goal
 - Information will be put on RA Facebook page and on RA website

Action Items

- Tukwut Tidbits - next edition will be late June – looking ahead, not just recap
 - Petco Park Cougar event – July 18
 - MandoBasso concert in July at Vista Library
 - Philanthropy grant information
 - Richard Riehl blog
 - Membership – join!
 - Excursions – email to indicate interest
- Tukwut Times – next edition in late July or early August
 - Content due July 20
 - Bonnie Biggs – Tukwut history
 - "Did you know" with Mark DuBois – Stella Clark
 - Janet – downtown excursion
 - Stella – gala (using paragraph Stella sent to President Haynes)
 - Janet – Cougar night at Petco
 - Member profile – Steve Wiener

- Next member profile – Pat Worden Benson (Janet to contact)
- "Look who's retired" – from HR and RA to contact if OK to list

Upcoming Programming

- Stella and José Clark – T'ai Chi
 - Late October on a Friday
 - Discussion & demonstration
 - Arlene to find location: USU preferred
 - No host lunch afterward at USU Food Court
- Arts & Lectures events
 - Once a semester
 - Possibilities for Fall 2015
 - "My Journey with Malala" – save to date on December 3rd
 - "Time Capsule of Music" – need confirmation of date and time
- Excursions: Laurie Lindeneau is willing to lead:
 - Liberty Station
 - Santa Rosa Plateau
- MandoBasso concert at San Diego Library
 - Sunday, October 11 from 2:30 pm to 3:30 pm
 - Janet willing to host post-concert party
- Walking group to start up again in September (Sandy Punch)

Other Discussion

- Getting others involved
- Need sub-committees?
 - Contact pre-retirees
 - Plan social events
- Possibility of setting up book group, travel group, etc.
- Invite an RA member to each Board meeting

Next meetings in COM 201:

Wednesday, September 9, 2015, 1-2:30 PM

Wednesday, November 18, 2015 (Because of schedule conflict, this has been changed to

Monday, December 7, 2015), 1-2:30 PM

Minutes submitted by
Brenda Edgington
Secretary

