

**Board Members Present:** Bonita Campbell, Larry Caretto, Margaret Holzer, Joyce Linden, Max Lupul, Roberta Mauksch, Ron McIntyre, Ann Perkins, Karen Robinette, Phyllis Russell, Christine Smith

**Monthly Business**

1. **Call to order and adoption of agenda:** Joyce Linden  
The meeting was called to order by President Joyce Linden at 11:08 a.m. in the Orange Grove Bistro (University Club) CSUN. **MSP** to approve the agenda.
  
2. **Approval of minutes:** Margaret Holzer  
**MSP** to approve the final draft of the minutes of the April 9, 2014 Board meeting. A copy of the approved minutes will be sent to the Board members via email.
  
3. **Treasurer's Report:** Heidemarie Lundblad  
Via email, Heidemarie presented a financial report showing the balances in our various accounts. Total assets, as of 5/14/14, are \$95,482.51. **MSP** to accept the Treasurer's Report.
  
4. **President's Announcements:** Joyce Linden  
Joyce reported on the Statewide ERFA meeting that she and others attended on April 26<sup>th</sup>. She highlighted two items of interest: 1) ERFA has voted not to support the proposal to allow community colleges to offer baccalaureate degrees. 2) There was strong advice given: do not carry Medicare card with you unless you are going to the doctor or the pharmacy where you may need it for identification. As the card carries the social security number, loss of the card opens the door to possible identity theft. In the Board discussion, the suggestion was made that a copy of the card should be carried in the glove compartment of the car.

Abe Feinberg, ARF's representative to the Faculty Senate, has sent an online link to the minutes of the April Senate meeting. Joyce attached the link to the Board Meeting Agenda. Also attached are links to policies recently passed by the Senate and approved by President Harrison on May 7, 2014. These policies included:

- Graduate Probation and Disqualification Policy (revised)
- Post-baccalaureate Credential and Disqualification Policy (revised)

In addition the 2014-15 Academic Year Calendar of Personnel Policies was also approved on May 7, 2014 (link provided)

**Reports of Standing Committees**

1. Program Committee: Larry Caretto.
  - *ARF Memorial Scholarship Luncheon (2014) Report:* Forty ARF members sent in checks for the lunch (\$1000 total). Two members canceled before final reservations were made and designated their payments as donations. Seven ARF members who paid were not able to make it to the lunch and the guest of one recipient cancelled at the last minute. The expected OGB cost for the event is \$1,107.61. The credit that we are owed because of the over billings in the fall should reduce this total. There is also a charge of \$32.02 for nametags and certificate folders. All who attended enjoyed the luncheon and

presentations...with the exception of at least two people who missed the champagne this year.

- *ARF Memorial Scholarship Luncheon (2015)*: Larry checked on the 2015 dates and it has confirmed that there will be (almost definitely) a commencement on May 16, 2015. Therefore, in accordance with Board direction, Larry has scheduled the May 2015 Scholarship Luncheon on May 9 and the May Board meeting on the first Wednesday, May 6, 2015.
- *Spring Picnic and General Meeting*. The picnic will be held starting at noon on Saturday, June 7 at the home of Juan Oliva, 17912 Sunburst. There is street parking, or if needed, the CSUN parking lot near the Orange Grove Bistro may be used.

Using the list of tasks and shopping list provided by Nancy Owens (chair of the picnic committee in 2013) as a guide, the Board discussed and volunteered for the various tasks for the 2014 picnic..

- *Orange Grove Bistro (OGB) Invoices*: Larry has asked Heidemarie to pay the invoice that charged us for four pots of coffee for the morning meeting as he had not personally counted the pots served and had no way to contest the OGB claim that their record showed four pots of coffee served. We have been getting the “member” discount—10% on food items—on our recent invoices, including the one for the scholarship luncheon. We should get the credit from the previous billing errors on the invoice for the luncheon. Larry has requested only one pot of coffee to be served for the Board meeting. He also recommends that the program chair make sure at each meeting that we are not served any extra items unless they are approved.
- *Update on the 2014-2015 Schedule*: Larry presented the schedule for the next academic year, complete except for one speaker. Unfortunately the person who had agreed to speak on exercise always teaches a class on Wednesday afternoons and has had to withdraw as a speaker. After some discussion, Larry agreed to present a talk on “Energy for Your Future.” (A copy of the final \*\*schedule is appended to these minutes.)

## 2. **Membership Committee:** Ron McIntyre

- *Membership*: Ron reported that we have a total of 271 active members, including the six new retirees who have accepted the offer of a free one-year membership. The over 40 new retirees who did not respond the offer of a free membership will be the “targets” of Ron’s special encouragement in the fall. Max reminded us that we really need to get home phone numbers and home mailing addresses for these new retirees. Faculty Affairs has this information but it has been difficult for ARF to get it. Max remembered that there was a time when Faculty Affairs used to send out a letter to retirees once or twice a year that endeavored to let the retirees know what was happening on campus. It had the effect of creating a sense of community among retirees and the campus. Max suggested that perhaps it is time to revive this practice.
- *ARF Brochure*: The Board discussed the content and format for the revised brochure. It was suggested that we could use a bi-fold brochure with an insert

that could be updated each year. The insert information could include contact information for the current officers and current interest groups plus the program for the year. It was also recommended that the brochure have pictures of ARFers enjoying various activities. Larry volunteered to help with the layout of the brochure. Joyce said that she was going to speak at the next Honored Faculty meeting for new retirees and would like to have brochures to handout.

- *Emeritus Status per Provost Hellenbrand:* Ron spoke with the Provost who entirely agrees with ARF that *emeritus* faculty are faculty and so should get all benefits that other faculty get. He warned, however, that across the CSU there is resistance to extending these benefits to non-State-funded entities. The Provost's view seems to be prevailing for now.
- *VPAC discounts:* Ron had received a clear commitment, by phone and by voice mail from Andrea Reinken, VPAC Director of Development, that *emeritus* faculty will be treated the same as other faculty with regard to discounts on VPAC tickets. Ron confirmed this commitment in an email to Ms Reiken. (A \*\*copy of Ron's email is attached to the minutes.)

### 3. **Newsletter:** Ann Perkins

Ann has set August 15 as the deadline for submission of material for the fall issue. Karen will write the president's message for the issue. Joyce has requested a photo from Karen to use with the president's letter.

Traditionally the fall issue has gone to all retirees, except to those who have been retired for more than 10 years and never joined ARF. This practice will be continued.

Three content items for the fall issue:

- Information about the exercise class proposed by one of the recent retirees.
- Information about the Lunch SCCARF group that is being started by Joyce.
- Clarification of the designation of the interest groups: for uniformity, each of them will be referred to as "groups" and not "clubs."

The Board gave Ann a round of applause for the excellent work she has been doing as *ARF Notes* editor.

### 4. **Historian:** Christine Smith

Chris and Bonnie reported on their recent progress in the organizing of the ARF historical materials. Bonnie now has a list of previous award winners (names, project titles and faculty advisors). Chris has gathered all ARF Notes that we have. She will give Ann a note for the newsletter (ARF Notes) requesting donation of missing issues from the members who still have copies. Bonnie is collecting copies of old minutes for the Archive. She noted that most Agendas are missing. The next step in the organizing process will be to go through various odds and ends and to decide which are appropriate for the ARF Archive. Chris and Bonnie are approaching the point at which they will be able to consult with the library staff about the Archive. One almost overwhelming part of the entire process is sorting out and dealing with multiple copies of many different items. The Board expressed its deep appreciation for Chris and Bonnie's dedication to this tedious but very important work.

## **Reports of Other Committees**

### **Nominating Committee: Karen Robinette**

The committee was very happy to announce that the office of Vice President/President Elect has been filled.

The slate of officers to be elected is as follows:

VP/President Elect: Alyce Akers

Secretary: Margaret Holzer

Treasurer: Heidemarie Lundblad

Web Master: Max Lupul

Membership Chair: Ron McIntyre

Newsletter: Ann Perkins

Historian: Christine Smith

Members at large:

2014-16: Pat Murray, Daniel Blake and Patrick Nichelson

Karen Robinette will become President and Joyce Linden will become Program Chair for next year. Diane Schwartz, Phyllis Russell, and Bonnie Campbell will continue for one more year as Members at Large.

**Old Business –none**

**New Business—none**

**Adjournment: MSP** that the meeting be adjourned. (12:55 p.m.)

Respectfully submitted by Margaret Holzer, Secretary

**Next Board meeting: to be announced**

## ARF Program and Board Meeting Schedule 2014-2015

(All events are on Wednesdays unless otherwise noted.)

Date	Speaker/Event	Topic	Location/Time
August 13, 2014		Board Meeting (optional)	11 am, Northridge Room – University Club*
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December	No meeting or program		
January 14, 2015		Board Meeting	11 am, Northridge Room – University Club
January 17, 2015** (Saturday)	Annual Thank God the Holidays are Over Banquet	Entertainment TBD	University Club* No-host bar 6 pm Dinner 6:45 pm
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\*\*Note: The banquet is on the third Saturday of January this year.

**Copy of Ron McIntyre's email to Andrea Reinken:**

From: McIntyre, Ronald T" <Ronald.mcintyre@csun.edu>  
Subject: VPAC Emeritus Faculty Discount  
Date: April 29, 2014 at 3:16:58 PM PDT  
To: "Reinken, Andrea M" <andrea.reinken@csun.edu>  
Cc: "Cameron, Donald" <dcameron@csun.edu>, "Linden, Joyce R" <joyce.linden@csun.edu>

Dear Andrea,

To avoid any future confusion on the matter of emeritus faculty discounts at the VPAC, I'm confirming your voice mail message of April 8, 2014:

The new executive director of VPAC, Thor Steingraber, has agreed that VPAC will provide a 20% discount on VPAC tickets to CSUN emeritus faculty, subject to the usual box office protocols — a valid emeritus faculty ID card must be presented at the ticket office, and there is a limit of two discounted tickets per order.

Andrea, the Association of Retired Faculty board members, and I personally, thank you so very much for following through for us on this. The retired faculty are strong supporters of VPAC, and we look forward to a continuing cordial and mutually rewarding relationship.

Sincerely,

Ron McIntyre

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Ronald McIntyre  
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California State University, Northridge