

Minutes, ARF Executive Board Meeting

(Draft, 18 April 2018)

14 April 2018

Board Members Present: Daniel Blake, John Clendenning, Robert Kiddoo, Sharon Klein, Ronald McIntyre, Patrick Nicholson, Karen Robinette, Phyllis Russell, Diane Schwartz, Barbara Swerkes.

Board Members Excused: Pamela Bourgeois, Catherine Jeppson, Ann Perkins, Eugene Turner, Cindy Ventuleth.

### **Monthly Business**

1. Call to Order: President Nicholson called the meeting to order at 11: 15 a.m.
2. Formal adoption of Agenda: **MSP** to adopt the agenda.
3. Approval of Minutes, 14 March 2018: **MSP** to approve the Minutes as distributed.
4. President's Announcements: Patrick Nicholson.
  - a. President Nicholson proposed that the next meeting of the Executive Board be held on May 2. **Approved without objection.**
  - b. Nora Weckler, Professor of Psychology since 1955, has passed away. Many will remember Nora for her sharp wit and solid commitment to faculty issues.
  - c. The deadline for the next issue of *ARF Notes* is April 17.
5. Board Members' Announcements.
  - a. Barbara Swerkes needs a substitute for her at the Faculty Senate Meeting on April 19. Sharon Klein volunteered.

### **Reports**

1. Treasurer's Report: Daniel Blake.

- a. In the last month ARF received \$134.60 in interest income and incurred \$312.99 in expenses. Overall Net Income: -\$178.39.
- b. Allowing for anticipated expenses of approximately \$10,000 in April and May, by the end of 2017-2018 ARF should have a surplus of approximately \$7,000.

2. Program Chair's Report: Ronald McIntyre.

- a. Ron distributed a tentative Program Schedule for 2018-2019. Speaker Events will include Antonio Gallo on Immigration (September), Cynthia Rawitch on "Fake News" and Other Issues in Journalism (October). George Holland on Nutrition, Physical Activity and Quality Aging (November), Robert Gohstand on Back to the USSR: A Nostalgic Look at the Old Soviet Union (March). All events will be held at the OGB on the second Wednesday of each month at 2 p.m., except for the presentation in March, which will be held in the Presentation Room of the Oviatt Library on Friday, March 15, at 1 p.m.
- b. The Speaker Event on February 13 is still open. We are exploring the possibility of having a speaker from JPL.
- c. The 2019 Field Trip on April 10 is TBD. The Board Meeting that month will be April 3.
- d. The Field Trip to the Autry Museum on April 11 promises to be a success.
- e. Ron reviewed the buffet menu and cost of the Awards Brunch on May 12. **MSP** to approve the price of \$20 per person.
- f. Issues concerning the Picnic on June 2 were discussed. The site, the menu, catering charges, the timing of the Annual Business Meeting, etc. are still TBD. **Consensus** to authorize Ronald McIntyre to make executive decisions concerning pending issues pertaining to the Picnic. Ron will keep Board Members informed via email.

3. Membership Chair's Report: Diane Schwartz.
  - a. No change in membership during the past month.
  - b. On Monday, May 21, Emeriti will be recognized at the Honored Faculty Reception. Catherine Jeppson will distribute information regarding ARF membership to the newly retired faculty.
  
4. *ARF Notes* Editor's Report. No report.
  
5. Historian's Report. No report.
  
6. Webmaster's Report. No report.
  
7. CSUN Faculty Senate Representative's Report: Barbara Swerkes. The Senate has not met during the last month.
  
8. Nominating Committee Report. The Committee (Catherine Jeppson, Heidi Wolfbauer, and Patrick Nicholson [chair]) presented a slate of nominations of officers for 2018-2019:

President	Catherine Jeppson
Vice President/President Elect	Pamela Bourgeois
Immediate Past President	Patrick Nicholson (elected)
Secretary	John Clendenning
Treasurer	Daniel Blake
Program Chair	Sharon Klein
<i>ARF Notes</i> Editor	Ann Perkins
Membership Chair	Diane Schwartz
Historian	Doris Helfer
Webmaster	Eugene Turner
Member-at Large (2 yr)	Virginia Lussier

Member-at-Large (2yr)	Robert Kiddoo
Member-at-Large (2yr)	Barbara Swerkes
Member-at-Large (1yr)	Phyllis Russell (elected)
Member-at-Large (1 yr)	James Allen
Member-at-Large (1yr)	Carolyn Arthur

**MSP** to forward this slate with a positive recommendation to the Membership at the Annual Business Meeting on June 2.

### Old Business

1. Report and Consultation: Contingency Planning Task Force 2017-2020:  
Daniel Blake, Chair.
  - a. Since plans to demolish the OGB have been delayed, we expect to hold our regular meetings at this site throughout 2018-2019.
  - b. The Task Force will continue to survey the membership concerning parking at events as well as preferred days (Wednesdays or Fridays) and times (1 p.m. or 2 p.m.).

### New Business

1. Changing the Date of the ARF Auction to an Earlier Date in the Fall.  
Robert Kiddoo and Daniel Blake proposed that we hold the Silent Auction at the Speaker Event, November 14. This change will encourage members to see the auction as an opportunity for holiday shopping.. We will need to reserve the President's Room in the OGB. **MSP** to approve this change providing that it is approved by Sandra Jewett, coordinator of NeedleARF.
2. Approval of the 2018 Graduate Project/Thesis Awards: Diane Schwartz , Awards Committee Chair.
  - a. Diane Schwartz presented the four applications recommended by the committee for the awards:

Sophia Apodaca, English (Fragmental Freedom),

Anthony Barnes, Social Work (An Unwitting Result of the Indian Child Welfare Act: Indian Trust in Child Welfare).

Samantha Hain, Biology (The Roles of CXCR4/7 in Melanocyte and Melanoma Motility).

Marcella Rose, Geography (Fine-Scale Temporal Delineation of Vegetation Mounds on the Black Rock Playa, Nevada)

**MSP** to approve the recommendation. N.B., there are two fallback applicants in case that any of the four recommended applicants are unable to present their projects at the Awards Brunch.

- b. Daniel Blake urged the Awards Committee Chair to consult departmental graduate coordinators in order to encourage outstanding students to apply.
- c. Ronald McIntyre stated that we should vigorously promote the Awards Brunch. Members need to be attracted to these interesting presentations.

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 12:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

John Clendenning, Secretary

**The Annual ARF Picnic / General Meeting and Election of Officers will be held Saturday, June 2, 2018.**

