

Minutes, ARF Executive Board

(Draft, October 12, 2018)

October 10, 2018

Board Members Present: James Allen, Carolyn Arthur, Daniel Blake, Pamela Bourgeois, John Clendenning, Doris Helfer, Catherine Jeppson, Robert Kiddoo, Sharon Klein, Virginia Lussier, Patrick Nichelson, Phyllis Russell, Diane Schwartz.

Members Excused: Ann Perkins, Barbara Swerkes, Eugene Turner.

Monthly Business

1. Call to Order. President Jeppson called the meeting to order at 11 a.m.
2. Adoption of the Agenda. John Clendenning noted that there should be a discussion, under New Business, of the policy concerning the use of arfmembers-l. **MSP** to adopt the agenda as amended.
3. Approval of the Minutes of September 12, 2018: John Clendenning. **MSP** to approve the Minutes.
4. President's Announcements: Catherine Jeppson.
 - a. Honoring Deceased Faculty. Apparently there is no uniform policy or procedure for announcing and recording the deaths of faculty members. Board Members agreed that deceased colleagues should be honored with obituaries and that these obituaries should be preserved in an archive. President Jeppson will express this concern to the offices of the Faculty Senate and the University Provost. Hopefully appropriate resources will be allocated in order to gather data for honoring deceased faculty.
 - b. Discussion of the CSU-ERFSA Meeting, October 13. President Jeppson led a discussion and expressed concern regarding CalPERS investment policies and procedures. CSU-ERFSA will consider a no-confidence vote for the CalPERS direct investment private equity scheme. **MSP** to support California Treasurer John Chiang's request for an independent investigation of the CalPERS CEO.
5. Board Member's Announcements. None.

Reports

1. Treasurer: Daniel Blake. The major difference during the last month is the improved interest income resulting from the closing of CD #37 and the opening of CD #38, which has the current balance of \$110,000.00. Total

Accounts Balances: \$134,451.91. Total Income: \$4,529.43. Total Expenses: \$1,040.48.

2. Program Chair: Sharon Klein
 - a. Plans for the Graduate Memorial Project Awards silent auction—November 14, 12 noon to 2 p.m.—are progressing satisfactorily.
 - b. Field Trip to the Getty Villa. The Program Committee is working on transportation issues. The committee is also considering alternatives: e.g., The Ronald Reagan Library or The Natural History Museum of Los Angeles County.
3. Membership Chair: Diane Schwartz. As of October 4, ARF has 195 members—22 more than this time last month and 51 fewer than the total membership in 2017/18.
4. Newsletter (*ARF Notes*) Editor: Ann Perkins. No Report.
5. Historian: Doris Helfer. University Archivist April Feldman welcomes the ARF Archives.
6. Webmaster: Eugene Turner. No Report.
7. CSUN Faculty Senate Representative: Diane Schwartz. The Executive Board thanked Diane for substituting for Barbara Swerkes. The Senate meeting on September 27, 2018, was primarily a “townhall” meeting to discuss Executive Order 1100R that requires significant changes in the CSUN General Education requirements. The campus community has resisted the implementation of EO 1100R for more than a year. Chancellor White has stated that “CSUN’s GE structure must conform to all aspects of the EO 1100R.” President Harrison decided that CSUN will implement the order by Fall 2019. However, there is still much opposition to EO 1100R on campus.

The “townhall” meeting was attended by more than 500 students and faculty members who expressed their sadness, dismay, unhappiness and/or outrage. The gender and equity studies departments may lose a considerable number of FTES if EO 1100R is implemented. This will negatively impact those departments in the future. Especially problematic is the order’s requirement that the 9 units of upper division GE be taken in Sections B (3 units), C (3 units), and D (3 units). This may shift many upper division FTES away from Section F.

No votes were taken in the Senate on any of the issues raised. The Senate and Senate Committees will take up the suggestions and issues that were

raised at the “townhall” meeting during the 2018/19 academic year. All parties are seeking an acceptable compromise.

Old Business

None

New Business

Use of the e-list of ARF Members

MSP to establish an ad hoc committee (Catherine Jeppson, Patrick Nichelson, and Pamela Bourgeois) to propose a policy regulating the use of arfmembers-l, including who may use the list and for what purposes.

Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 12.31 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

John Clendenning, Secretary