

ARF Executive Board Meeting

(Approved April 8, 2020)

March 11, 2020

Board Members Present: Shan Barkataki, Daniel Blake, Pamela Bourgeois, John Clendenning, Timothy Fox, Catherine Jeppson, Robert Kiddoo, Sharon Klein, Virginia Lussier, Patrick Nichelson, Phyllis Russell, Eugene Turner.

Board Members Excused: Carolyn Arthur, Doris Helfer, Ann Perkins, Diane Schwartz.

Monthly Business

1. Call to Order: President Bourgeois called the meeting to order at 11:15 a.m.
2. Adoption of the Agenda: **MSP** to adopt the Agenda as distributed.
3. Approval of the Minutes, February 12, 2020: John Clendenning: **MSP** to approve the Minutes as distributed.
4. President's Announcement: Nominating Committee. President Bourgeois announced that the Nominating Committee (Bourgeois, Fox, and Jeppson) will present a slate of officers at the Board Meeting on April 7.
5. Board Announcements
 - a. John Clendenning reported on his meeting (February 28) with AP William Watkins and a select committee to consider renaming the Oviatt Library.
 - b. Robert Kiddoo presented a proposed Calendar of Board Meetings, Speaker Events, and other ARF activities planned for AY 2020/2021. Assuming that the Orange Grove Bistro will no longer be available, this calendar specifies ARF Space Needs in the coming academic year. This calendar remains a "working document" subject to change. Patrick Nichelson proposed a Hats-Off to Bob and Dan Blake for the excellent work they have done in this regard. By acclamation, the Board concurred.
 - c. Catherine Jeppson explained how the COLA (Cost of Living Adjustment) is computed.

Reports

1. Treasurer: Daniel Blake presented the ARF Treasurer's Report for March 2020. The total of Account Balances as of March 10: \$150,130.62. This is an increase from February 10 of \$1,217.56. This increase is partly due to ERFSA rebates (\$396.75) and Member Dues ERFSA (\$474.00). Total Income: \$1,467.89. Total Expenses: \$250.33. Overall Net Income: \$1,217.56. The Board discussed the merits of the Silent Auction. Over the past five years the Auction has made \$4,021 (or roughly \$800 per year). That's a lot of work for little income. Perhaps there are better ways to produce income. The matter was referred to the Program Committee.

2. Program Committee: Sharon Klein
 - a. Retrospective on February Program. Although the program featuring Yreina Cervantez and Denise Sandoval was informative and stimulating, attendance was disappointing.
 - b. Today's program featuring Hilary Kaplowitz ("Technology and Education at CSUN") was cancelled because of the COVID19 crisis. Dr. Kaplowitz was intensely involved in converting instruction to on-line formats.
 - c. At the time of the meeting the Board was still expecting a Field Trip to the Los Angeles Central Library on April 8. However, anticipating the spread of the COVID19 virus, it was **MSP** to authorize the Program Committee to cancel this event.
 - d. Planning of programs in AY 2020/2021. Several possibilities for Field Trips are being discussed, including Olvera Street, the California African American Museum, JPL, the Dog Training Center. In the fall ARF will celebrate the Centennial of Women's Franchise. Sharon is planning this celebration with Cynthia Rawitch, Jane Bayes, and Maureen Rubin. Merry Ovnick, a specialist in the history of Los Angeles, is working with Sharon on next year's Field Trip.
3. Membership Chair: Diane Schwartz.
4. Newsletter: Ann Perkins. *ARF Notes* copy deadline: April 13.
5. Webmaster: Eugene Turner. The following are ways to promote ARF membership and participation through the website:
 - a. Photographs of past ARF events. Please send these to Gene.
 - b. Interest Groups. Which ones are still active? Which ones might be started?
6. Faculty Senate Representative: Diane Schwartz. Although Diane was excused from attending this meeting, she sent the ARF Executive Board a summary of the CSUN FACULTY SENATE MEETING, February 20, 2020.

Old Business

Committee of the whole discussion of requirements for membership. Because of the pressure of time this discussion was postponed to the Board meeting in April.

Adjournment

There being no further business before the board, the meeting was adjourned at 12:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

John Clendenning, Secretary