

**Minutes, ARF Executive Board**  
**May 11, 2016**

**(approved, 9/14/2016)**

**Board Members Present:** Alyce Akers, Daniel Blake, Margaret Holzer, Max Lupul, Ron McIntyre, Patrick Nicholson, Nancy Owens, Karen Robinette, Phyllis Russell, Elizabeth Schneider, Diane Schwartz, Christine Smith, Barbara Swerkes

**Monthly Business**

1. **Call to order and adoption of agenda:** Alyce Akers  
President Alyce Akers called the meeting to order at 11:20 a.m. in the Orange Grove Bistro, CSUN. **MSP** to adopt the agenda as distributed.
2. **Approval of minutes:** Patrick Nicholson  
The minutes were included in the information packet for the meeting. **MSP** to approve the minutes as corrected. Patrick will send the corrected minutes to the Board members by email.
3. **Treasurer's Report:** Dan Blake  
Dan reviewed the current account balances and cash flow as well as the anticipated income and expenses for the rest of the current year. After a discussion and review of the Constitution and Bylaws, it was decided by consensus that the treasurer's report made at the Annual Meeting (June) will be a general overview using the broad categories of income and expenses. It was suggested that special mention be made that current low interest rates have drastically diminished the earnings of the ARF Memorial Graduate Project Award Fund (formerly known as the Memorial Scholarship Fund) that have traditionally been the source of the ARF Memorial Graduate Project Awards. This means ARF is dependent on annual special donations from its members. Also, current operating expenses are just covered by the members' annual dues. Future increases in expenses will require either raising the dues or recruiting more members. **MSP** to receive the report with thanks to our Treasurer.
4. **President's Announcements:** Alyce Akers  
Alyce thanked Board members for their service this year, making her job "a real joy." She reported that she has told others that the Board is "like a well-oiled machine" with each part operating efficiently and enthusiastically!
5. **Board Members' Announcements**  
Ron McIntyre reported on a meeting that a group consisting of Diane Schwartz, Patrick Nicholson and Ron McIntyre had with PP&R to voice concerns about a proposal PP&R was bringing to the Faculty Senate concerning the rights and privileges of *emeriti* faculty. The PP&R committee listened, understood and revised the proposal, improving it even more than ARF had hoped. It will be presented for a vote at the next Faculty Senate meeting, May 12, 2016. The Board gratefully thanked the ARF committee for their efforts.

Several recent passings of ARF members were noted. These and others will be included in the next ARF Notes.

**Reports of Standing Committees**

1. Program Committee: Karen Robinette
  - a. *May ARF Memorial Graduate Project Awards Luncheon:* Plans are nearly complete for the luncheon. Karen has prepared a list of ARF Award contributors to be included in the printed program. The program is in its final format and includes the 2015-16 memorial list. Larry Caretto has responsibility for all the printing tasks: name tags, luncheon choices, *etc.*

- b. *June Picnic and Annual Meeting*: Karen reviewed the picnic plans and Alyce reminded the members of the tasks they have for the picnic. An email reminder will be sent to Board members.
- c. *2017 Field Trip; Nethercutt Museum, Sylmar, CA*: Karen reminded the Board that in order to take the site tour, the 2017 Field Trip has been moved from the traditional Wednesday to a Thursday. (The Tour will take us to areas we would miss on our own and the tour is not given on Wednesdays.)
- d. *2016-17 ARF schedule*: The draft will be sent to Board members via email. The journalist that we were hoping to have as a speaker, Sandy Banks, has not replied. CSUN *emeriti* Jim Allen and Gene Turner and their studies of the changing demographics of Los Angeles County were suggested as an alternative program.

2. **Membership Committee:** Diane Schwartz

Diane reported that the Membership Committee, consisting of Ron McIntyre, Larry Caretto and Diane Schwartz, have been discussing ways to recruit new members. Diane pointed out that this year may yield fewer new FERPers because of the 7% salary increase granted to active faculty for next year. Since reports of the talks at ARF monthly meetings seem to interest people not yet involved, a discussion about making ARF Notes available without a password ensued. No decision was made.

Patrick Nicholson volunteered to serve on the committee next year since Ron will be the ARF President for 2016-17.

3. **Newsletter:** Ann Perkins

Ann was absent and there was no report.

4. **Historian:** Christine Smith

Christine will be rotating off the Board next year but promised to help Cindy Ventuleth, who will take over the historian's responsibilities.

5. **Faculty Senate:** Barbara Swerkes

The next Faculty Senate Meeting will be on May 12, 2016. Barbara will send her report via email, since today is the final ARF Executive Board meeting for this academic year.

6. **Website:** Max Lupul

Max reported that the website is functioning properly.

**Old Business:**

**ARF Memorial Graduate Project Awards Luncheon:** Nancy Owens will introduce the awardees at the luncheon.

**New Business:**

**Honored Faculty Reception:** The reception will be on May 23, 2016 in the Grand Salon of the Student Union, 1:30-3:00 p.m. Alyce will speak briefly to introduce ARF to the new retirees and will distribute brochures to give them additional information.

**Adjournment:**

**MSP** that the meeting be adjourned. (12:56 p.m.)

**Next Board meeting: To Be Announced**

Respectfully submitted,  
Margaret Holzer, Secretary

**ARF Program and Board Meeting Schedule 2016-2017**  
(All days Wednesday unless otherwise noted.)

<b>Date (Contact)</b>	<b>Speaker/Event</b>	<b>Topic</b>	<b>Location/Time</b>
August 10, 2016		Board Meeting (optional)	11 am, Northridge Room – Orange Grove Bistro
September 14, 2016		Board Meeting	11 am, Northridge Room – Orange Grove Bistro
September 14, 2016 <b>(Karen)</b>	Elyce Wakeman	Immigration and the Refugee Crisis	2 pm, Northridge Room – Orange Grove Bistro
October 12, 2016		Board Meeting	11 am, Northridge Room – Orange Grove Bistro
October 19, 2016 <b>(Rich) *</b>	Robin Abcarian		2 pm, Northridge Room – Orange Grove Bistro
November 9, 2016		Board Meeting	11 am, Northridge Room – Orange Grove Bistro
November 9, 2016 <b>(Alyce)</b>	Amir Hussain Religious Studies		2 pm, Northridge Room – Orange Grove Bistro
December	No meeting or program		
January 11, 2017		Board Meeting	11 am, Northridge Room – Orange Grove Bistro
January 14, 2017 (Saturday)	Annual Thank God the Holidays are Over Banquet	Entertainment TBD	Orange Grove Bistro No-host bar 6 pm Dinner 6:45 pm
February 8, 2017		Board Meeting	11 am, Northridge Room – Orange Grove Bistro
February 8, 2017 <b>(Karen)</b>	Heidemarie Lundblad, Accounting & Information Systems	Ombudsmen	2 pm, Northridge Room – Orange Grove Bistro
March 8, 2017		Board Meeting	11 am, Northridge Room – Orange Grove Bistro
March 8, 2017 <b>(Contact?)</b>	Sandy Banks Journalism or Colin Donahue	Campus Planning	2 pm, Northridge Room – Orange Grove Bistro
April 6, 2017 (Thursday)**	Field Trip	Nethercutt Museum Sylmar CA	Time and bus transportation information to be announced
April 12, 2017		Board Meeting	11 am, Northridge Room – Orange Grove Bistro
May 10, 2017		Board Meeting	11 am, Northridge Room – Orange Grove Bistro
May 13, 2017 (Saturday)	Annual Spring Memorial Luncheon	Presentations by ARF Memorial Scholarship Award Recipients	Orange Grove Bistro* 12 – 2 pm
June 3, 2017 (Saturday)	Picnic/General Meeting/ Election of Officers		Location TBD Noon

\* The October meeting will be on the third Wednesday due to Yom Kippur Holiday, October 12.

\*\* The Field Trip to the Nethercutt Museum is on Thursday, April 6, 2017.