(To be received by ARF Board August 9 or September 13, 2017; to be approved at 2018 Annual Meeting, June 2, 2018)

## CSUN Association of Retired Faculty (ARF) 2016-17 Annual Business Meeting (in conjunction with the Annual Picnic) and Election of Officers and Board Members

Minutes June 3, 2017

The ARF Picnic and Business Meeting at the home of Professor Juan Oliva, 17912 Sunburst Street, Northridge commenced at 12:00 noon. ARF members Mary Finley and Paul Kirk provided entertainment and background music on their accordions. The picnic brunch began at 12:30.

ARF President Ron McIntyre called the Business Meeting to order at approximately 1:45 P.M. He thanked Juan Oliva, who was present, for once again making available the use of his home for the picnic and the general membership meeting. He also thanked the members of the 2016-2017 Executive Board for their outstanding service.

On behalf of ARF Secretary Margaret Holzer, who was not able to be present, Ron presented for approval the Minutes of the 2016 General Meeting (see attachment). **MSP** approval of the June, 4, 2016 Annual Meeting Minutes.

Dan Blake presented the Treasurer's Report which indicated increases in all the accounts since June 2016: Bank Accounts (CD, Checking, Savings), the Memorial Fund Award, and the Operating Account (see attachment). Ron praised Dan for the clarity and succinctness of his reports. **MSP** approval of the Treasurer's Report.

ARF Membership Chair Diane Schwartz presented the Membership Report which indicated as of June 2017 a modest increase since June 2016 with the total number of members being 247. She announced that there will be an "envelope stuffing" gathering in August as part of the ARF outreach campaign. She also reported that she and Ron had introduced ARF and its advantages at the recent honored (retiring) faculty meeting on campus. She also shared the contact information for potential new ARF members: ARF Website:<u>www.csun.edu/arf</u> Membership Chair: diane.schwartz@csun.edu

Nominations Committee Chair Patrick Nichelson presented the 2017-2018 Officers and Board Members Slate which had been recommended by the Committee and approved by the Executive for consideration by the General Membership. As President, Ron asked if there were questions from the membership. There being none, it was **MSP** that nominations be closed and the nominees be elected by acclamation.

## The ARF Executive Board 2017-2018

President: Patrick Nichelson\*

Vice President/President-Elect: Catherine Jeppson

Immediate Past President/ Program Chair: Ron McIntyre\*

Secretary: John Clendenning

Treasurer: Dan Blake

Newsletter Editor: Ann Perkins

Membership Chair: Diane Schwartz

Historian: Cindy Ventuleth

Webmaster: Eugene Turner

Member-at-Large: Robert Kiddoo (1 yr)

Member-at-Large: Barbara Swerkes (1 yr)

Member-at-Large: Karen Robinette (1 yr)

Member-at-Large: Phyllis Russell (2 yr)

Member-at-Large: Pamela Bourgeois (2 yr)

Member-at-Large: Sharon Klein (2 yr)

\*Elected in Previous Year; serves multiple-year term.

Ron introduced proposed **revisions to the ARF Constitution**. These revisions entailed changes to the Bylaws, changes that the Executive board had already made pending today's approval by the General Membership of the Constitutional revisions. The Constitutional revisions came to the Membership with unanimous approval of the Board (see attachment for text and rationale). The proposed Revisions had been circulated via email. Essentially, Ron said, the changes revolve around the separation of the position of Program Chair from the current three-year sequence with one person serving sequentially as President Elect, President and, then, Program Chair. After discussion, **MSP** to approve the proposed revisions to the Constitution.

In concluding comments President Ron McIntyre and incoming President Patrick Nichelson praised the important work of ARF in promoting and protecting the rights and benefits of retired faculty. They remarked too on the value of serving the cause of fellowship among retirees. They also noted the valuable activities of ARF's statewide affiliate ERFA.

Ron discussed the planned demolition of the CSUN Orange Grove Bistro ("Faculty Club") which has been virtually essential as a convenient, accessible venue for ARF meetings and events. Ron and board member Robert Kiddoo had recently led a meeting of ARF Board Members with Colin Donahue, CSUN Vice President for Administration & Finance and CFO. At that meeting Vice President Donahue and his top staff members had explained the Hotel-University join-venture project and avowed their assistance to ARF during the upcoming dislocations. As of June 2017, the demolition of the Bistro was due to be accomplished in the late Fall-early Spring semesters of 2017-2018.

After many salutes were given to Ron for his excellent work and leadership as ARF President 2016-2017 - - and Patrick had added words of gratitude to his old friend from the Humanities - - Ron called for a vote to adjourn. **MSP** to adjourn, approximately 2:25 P.M.

Respectfully submitted on behalf of Margaret Holzer who was excused, Board Member Patrick Nichelson