

**Minutes, ARF Executive Board Meeting (Approved 8 November 2017)
11 October 2017**

Board Members Present: Daniel Blake, Pamela Bourgeois, John Clendenning, Sharon Klein, Ronald McIntyre, Patrick Nicholson, Ann Perkins, Karen Robinette, Phyllis Russell, Diane Schwartz, Barbara Swerkes, Eugene Turner.

Board Members Excused: Catherine Jeppson, Robert Kiddoo, Cindy Ventuleth.

Monthly Business;

1. **Call to order :** President Patrick Nicholson called the meeting to order at 11:10 a.m. at the Orange Grove Bistro at CSUN. Board Members present introduced themselves.
2. **Adoption of agenda: MSP** to adopt the agenda as distributed.
3. **Approval of Minutes of Sept. 13, 2017: MSP** to approve the minutes.
5. **President's Announcements:**
 - a. President Nicholson nominated Sharon Klein as the Program Chair Designate 2017/18. **MSP** to approve the nomination.
 - b. President Nicholson announced the formation of a new Executive Board Sub-Committee on ARF Contingency Planning 2017-2020. Daniel Blake, Robert Kiddoo, and Ronald McIntyre will coordinate the activities of this sub-committee in light of the expected demolition of the Orange Grove Bistro and the building of the replacement hotel. An appropriate interim site, as well as parking issues, will be considered.
6. **Board Member's Announcements:**

Ronald McIntyre reported that Robert Kiddoo's absence today was a result of a medical appointment. Bob will continue to serve in site panning as noted above in 5. b.

Reports:

1. **Treasurer:** Daniel Blake distributed the quarterly report. He noted that the considerable difference in the Checking Balance was due to the expected income from membership dues paid.
2. **Program Chair:** Ronald McIntyre led a discussion of pending issues.
 - a. The Los Angeles Mid Valley Regional Branch Library at 16244 Nordhoff Street is a promising site for speaker events in 2018/19. Discussions will continue.

- b. The planned presentation in November by Robert Gohstand will be postponed. Instead the speaker on November 8 will be Sandy Banks (formerly Feature Writer, *Los Angeles Times*, now Fellow at the USC Annenberg Center in Communication Leadership and Policy). Topic: TBA.
 - c. Annual Thank-God-the-Holidays-are-Over Banquet. At this year 's banquet there will be no silent auction. Discussions of planning, including entertainment, will continue.
 - d. Planning for the Field Trip in April is still under discussion. Unresolved issues concerning reservations at the Huntington Library and/or JPL, as well as transportation, continue to be problems.
 - e. The ARF Memorial Graduate Projects Awards Brunch will be held at the OGB on May 9, 2018, 10 am till 12 noon,
 - f. Ron asked that suggestions for speakers in 2018/19 be sent to him via email,
3. **Membership Chair.** Diane Schwartz submitted the report, indicating that paid memberships as of 10/4/ 17 are slightly off from last year. This is probably due to members' slow response to reminders. October 31 is the deadline for inclusion in the 2017-2018 Membership Roster.
 4. **Newsletter (ARF NOTES) Editor.** Ann Perkins reminded Board Members that items to be included in the next issue should be received by October 23.
 5. **Historian.** No report. Cindy Ventuleth was excused.
 6. **Webmaster.** Gene Turner reported that he continues to update the web site. Ron McIntyre suggested that the History of ARF on the web site needs an update.
 7. **CSUN Faculty Senate Representative.** Barbara Swerkes submitted a summary of the 9/28/17 meeting of the CSUN Faculty Senate. There was a lively discussion of Executive Orders 1100 and 1110. Controversial issues included the proposed elimination of CSUN's GE Section F: Comparative Cultural Studies, and the proposed Freshman skills assessment and placement in written communication and mathematics/quantitative reasoning courses. The Senate overwhelmingly passed a motion that "The Faculty Senate of CSU Northridge and its Standing Committees will not participate in the implementation of EO 1100 (revised) and EO 1110." Afterwards there was a motion to reconsider, which in effect places the entire matter before the Senate at its meeting on October 26,

Adjournment. The meeting was adjourned at 12:25 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
John Clendenning , Secretary.

