Minutes, ARF Executive Board Meeting (Draft, 18 April 2018)

14 April 2018


Monthly Business

1. Call to Order: President Nichelson called the meeting to order at 11:15 a.m.
2. Formal adoption of Agenda: MSP to adopt the agenda.
3. Approval of Minutes, 14 March 2018: MSP to approve the Minutes as distributed.
4. President’s Announcements: Patrick Nichelson.
   a. President Nichelson proposed that the next meeting of the Executive Board be held on May 2. Approved without objection.
   b. Nora Weckler, Professor of Psychology since 1955, has passed away. Many will remember Nora for her sharp wit and solid commitment to faculty issues.
   c. The deadline for the next issue of ARF Notes is April 17.
5. Board Members’ Announcements.
   a. Barbara Swerkes needs a substitute for her at the Faculty Senate Meeting on April 19. Sharon Klein volunteered.

Reports

a. In the last month ARF received $134.60 in interest income and incurred $312.99 in expenses. Overall Net Income: -$178.39.

b. Allowing for anticipated expenses of approximately $10,000 in April and May, by the end of 2017-2018 ARF should have a surplus of approximately $7,000.

2. Program Chair’s Report: Ronald McIntyre.

a. Ron distributed a tentative Program Schedule for 2018-2019. Speaker Events will include Antonio Gallo on Immigration (September), Cynthia Rawitch on “Fake News” and Other Issues in Journalism (October). George Holland on Nutrition, Physical Activity and Quality Aging (November), Robert Gohstand on Back to the USSR: A Nostalgic Look at the Old Soviet Union (March). All events will be held at the OGB on the second Wednesday of each month at 2 p.m., except for the presentation in March, which will be held in the Presentation Room of the Oviatt Library on Friday, March 15, at 1 p.m.

b. The Speaker Event on February 13 is still open. We are exploring the possibility of having a speaker from JPL.

c. The 2019 Field Trip on April 10 is TBD. The Board Meeting that month will be April 3.

d. The Field Trip to the Autry Museum on April 11 promises to be a success.

e. Ron reviewed the buffet menu and cost of the Awards Brunch on May 12. MSP to approve the price of $20 per person.

f. Issues concerning the Picnic on June 2 were discussed. The site, the menu, catering charges, the timing of the Annual Business Meeting, etc. are still TBD. Consensus to authorize Ronald McIntyre to make executive decisions concerning pending issues pertaining to the Picnic. Ron will keep Board Members informed via email.
   a. No change in membership during the past month.
   b. On Monday, May 21, Emeriti will be recognized at the Honored Faculty Reception. Catherine Jeppson will distribute information regarding ARF membership to the newly retired faculty.


7. CSUN Faculty Senate Representative’s Report: Barbara Swerkes. The Senate has not met during the last month.

8. Nominating Committee Report. The Committee (Catherine Jeppson, Heidi Wolfbauer, and Patrick Nichelson [chair]) presented a slate of nominations of officers for 2018-2019:

   - **President**: Catherine Jeppson
   - **Vice President/President Elect**: Pamela Bourgeois
   - **Immediate Past President**: Patrick Nichelson (elected)
   - **Secretary**: John Clendenning
   - **Treasurer**: Daniel Blake
   - **Program Chair**: Sharon Klein
   - **ARF Notes Editor**: Ann Perkins
   - **Membership Chair**: Diane Schwartz
   - **Historian**: Doris Helfer
   - **Webmaster**: Eugene Turner
   - **Member-at Large (2 yr)**: Virginia Lussier
Member-at-Large (2yr) Robert Kiddoo  
Member-at-Large (2yr) Barbara Swerkes  
Member-at-Large (1yr) Phyllis Russell (elected)  
Member-at-Large (1 yr) James Allen  
Member-at-Large (1yr) Carolyn Arthur  

**MSP** to forward this slate with a positive recommendation to the Membership at the Annual Business Meeting on June 2.

**Old Business**

   a. Since plans to demolish the OGB have been delayed, we expect to hold our regular meetings at this site throughout 2018-2019.  
b. The Task Force will continue to survey the membership concerning parking at events as well as preferred days (Wednesdays or Fridays) and times (1 p.m. or 2 p.m.).

**New Business**

1. Changing the Date of the ARF Auction to an Earlier Date in the Fall. Robert Kiddoo and Daniel Blake proposed that we hold the Silent Auction at the Speaker Event, November 14. This change will encourage members to see the auction as an opportunity for holiday shopping. We will need to reserve the President’s Room in the OGB. **MSP** to approve this change providing that it is approved by Sandra Jewett, coordinator of NeedleARF.

2. Approval of the 2018 Graduate Project/Thesis Awards: Diane Schwartz, Awards Committee Chair.
   a. Diane Schwartz presented the four applications recommended by the committee for the awards:
Sophia Apodaca, English (Fragmental Freedom),
Anthony Barnes, Social Work (An Unwitting Result of the Indian
Samantha Hain, Biology (The Roles of CXCR4/7 in Melanocyte and
Melanoma Motility).
Marcella Rose, Geography (Fine-Scale Temporal Delineation of
Vegetation Mounds on the Black Rock Playa, Nevada)

MSP to approve the recommendation. N.B., there are two fallback
applicants in case that any of the four recommended applicants
are unable to present their projects at the Awards Brunch.
b. Daniel Blake urged the Awards Committee Chair to consult
departmental graduate coordinators in order to encourage
outstanding students to apply.
c. Ronald McIntyre stated that we should vigorously promote the
Awards Brunch. Members need to be attracted to these
interesting presentations.

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 12:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

John Clendenning, Secretary

The Annual ARF Picnic / General Meeting and Election of Officers will be held
Saturday, June 2, 2018.