

Minutes, ARF Executive Board Meeting

(Approved, 14 April 2018)

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

Board Member Excused: Cindy Ventuleth.

Monthly Business

Call to Order: President Nicholson called the meeting to order at 11:14 a.m.

1. Formal Adoption of the Agenda: **MSP** to adopt the agenda.
2. Approval of Minutes , 14 March 2018: John Clendenning. **MSP** to approve the Minutes as distributed.
3. President's Announcements: Patrick Nicholson.
 - a. President Nicholson commended the Program Committee and the Graduate Project/Thesis Memorial Awards Committee for their excellent contributions.
 - b. At the Executive Board Meeting scheduled for May 9, several members—including the President, the Vice President, and the Secretary—will be absent. This meeting may be cancelled, but if it is held, Ronald McIntyre will chair the meeting. This issue will be resolved at the Executive Board Meeting on April 4.
4. Board Member's Announcements.
 - a. Catherine Jeppson reported on extended benefits. To encourage exercise as part of its health goals, PERS will subsidize membership in fitness programs. Pertinent information will be included in the next ARF Notes.

Reports

1. Treasurer: Daniel Blake. The report of March 14, 2018 shows a total income of \$1,211.99, total expenses of \$179.13, and an overall net income of \$1,032.86.
2. Program Chair: Ronald McIntyre.
 - a. Ron distributed a flyer which explains in detail the procedures for the Field Trip to the Autry Museum on April 11.
 - b. The venue for the Annual Picnic on June 2 is still undetermined. At present we plan to hold the picnic on campus at either the Marketplace or the Arbor Grill. Ron

asked Board Members to assess these venues to determine which, if either, is appropriate. This issue will be discussed further at the April 4 meeting.

- c. Schedule of Speaker Events, 2018-2019. October: Cynthia Rawitch. November: George Holland. February: Robert Gohstand (tentatively scheduled in the Presentation Room of the Oviatt Library on Friday, February 15, at 2 p.m.) Speaker Events in September and March are still open. We are exploring the possibilities of having a speaker from JPL in September and a speaker by an immigration lawyer (Antonio Gallo?) in March.
3. Membership Chair: Diane Schwartz. No change from last month.
 4. ARF Notes Editor: Ann Perkins. Some Board Members expressed concern that the print version of ARF Notes arrived in the mail somewhat later than expected. Ann will contact the campus postal service to resolve this issue.
 5. Historian's Report. No report.
 6. Webmaster's Report. No report.
 7. CSUN Faculty Senate Representative's Report: Barbara Swerkes. The March 8 meeting of the Faculty Senate was unusually brief and, for the most part, was non-controversial. Most items were "housekeeping." The GE Task Force, appointed by President Harrison and co-chaired by Kathryn Sorrells and Brian Burkhart, is charged with assessing "students' needs, challenges and goals" and submitting recommendations with special attention to "cross-cultural competency requirements." The Task Force intends to make recommendations by the end of the spring semester 2018. This may be a problem because any changes to GE should be reviewed by EPC and the Senate before they are implemented.

Old Business

1. Report of the Contingency Planning Task Force 2017-2020: Daniel Blake. We will continue to poll people attending the speaker events on parking issues and on support for shifting these events to Friday afternoons in the Colleagues Room.

New Business

1. Silent Auction. Normally held at the annual banquet in January, the auction generates money for the Memorial Awards Fund. Robert

Kiddoo suggested that we have this auction in November. That way, the auction could be part of our members' planning for seasonal gifting.

2. Nominations of ARF Officers, 2018-2019. A slate will be presented at the April 4 meeting.

Adjournment. The meeting was adjourned at 12:23 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

John Clendenning, Secretary

Note: Next meeting of the Executive Board: April 4. The Annual ARF Picnic / General Meeting and Election of Officers: Saturday, June 2, 2018.