



Minutes from CSUSM Retirees Association Meeting
March 26, 2015

Present: Arlene Cratsa, RA Coordinator; Brenda Edgington, Secretary; Janet McDaniel, Chair; Sandy Punch, Vice-Chair; Brooks Reid, Member at Large; Don Barrett, Treasurer (via phone link).

Meeting was called to order by Chair McDaniel.

Coordinator's Report (A. Cratsa):

- membership – 49
- keeping email address after retirement
 - retiree's responsibility to keep by contacting IITS
 - RA information will be included by HR in retiree's packet
- working on RA business cards – generic information
- financial report
 - balance of approximately \$8,842.08
 - MandoBasso concert costs – approximately \$1,500

Communication with CSUSM

- Arlene gets distribution list from HR – after retirement
- information about RA will be put on CSUSM news list (announcements) once a month all year
- PERS workshop is being held on April 17 (day of our luncheon/business meeting) and Sandy Punch will attend to give out RA information
- HR Lunch and Learn: "Life After CSUSM"
 - Wednesday, May 20 from 12:00 to 1:00 (Tuesday, May 19 is second choice)
 - notice to all membership to participate and mention at MandoBasso concert
 - information to all employees including adjuncts to be given by HR
 - HR does not want us to give PERS/SS/legal advice or information
 - RA members will be panelists to respond to Qs in informal session
- FERP workshops – working on scheduling with Diedre Lowell
 - invitation to RA members to participate

Newsletter: Tukwut Times

- next edition will be April 30
- Brooks to interview Mark DuBois of Café Catering for “Did You Know?”
- include information about 2015 Forum for Healthy Minds (May 9) as an additional opportunity of interest on campus
- link to AROHE newsletter to introduce membership to Association of Retirement Organizations in Higher Education
 - Janet to write article about her attendance at August 2014 conference
- possible membership profile article
 - Dick Bray
 - Stella Clark
 - Steve Wiener (for issue after April)
 - Don Barrett
- monthly walks
- Gala on June 20, will have a table for RA attendees
- Padres game on July 18, sponsored by Alumni Association
- retirement tip by Sandy
- list of new members
- election outcome
- articles due April 21

Tukwut Tidbits

- information about MandoBasso concert with link to evite
- RA first annual meeting on April 17
- excursion information
- election information/process

MandoBasso concert

- Sandy will be emcee – begin promptly at 5:15
- honorarium to MandoBasso
 - gift card of \$50 each
 - 2 year membership in RA for each
- members will be free; non-members will be \$10
- Laurie Lindenau will talk about excursions
 - there will be hand-out at check-in

Spring Luncheon/Retirees Annual Meeting

- Friday, April 17, 2015
- Arlene will send out information with link to evite
- Arlene is working with Mark DuBois on menu
- cost - \$20
- Arlene to work with speechwriter with these possibilities for comment by President Haynes:
 - goals
 - current numbers and projections
 - new buildings
 - personal observations
 - accomplishments
 - challenges
 - how to engage with RA
 - followed by short Q&A

Elections

- information to be included in Tidbits including how to nominate
- nominations will be taken at luncheon
- indicate deadline for nomination with election completed before June 1

Next meeting: Thursday, June 25, 2015 (including new and current board members)

Minutes submitted by
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Secretary