Minutes of the Emeriti Board Meeting August 4, 2014
12:00-1:40 Eighth Floor Dining Room, FC

Present: Bert Huether, Ron Huston, Bob Faaborg, Henry Fenichel, Rich Miller, Gene Lewis, Lynn Davis, Cora Ogle, Peter Suranyi, David Lee Smith

Absent: Nancy Hamant, Ron Millard, David Meyer, Brenda LeMaster, Bruce Goetzman, Barb Macke

Action Items in Blue

I. Approval of minutes from June 16, 2014 mtg
Minutes were approved as distributed.

II. Comments from Bert
a. Action items from previous meeting
   i. New plan for lunch now in effect/rental fee for conference room to FC
      This worked well today, and more members are encouraged to join us downstairs for lunch before the meeting. Getting there around 11:15 will allow you to enjoy lunch in a bit more relaxed fashion.
   ii. Contacting Nelson Vincent regarding opt out system for retaining UC email, and position on all UC Listserves.
      Bert did not have anything solid to report. He will do so at the next mtg

b. Panel discussion presentation for AROHE Aug 11, U of MN
   We have an excellent spot on the schedule in terms of potential audience—immediately behind the keynote speaker kicking off the conference. I will have 15 minutes to present, along with three other speakers, one of which is the Exec Dir of AROHE. Some of you requested I send along my ppt presentation, which is attached, as is the detailed schedule for the 2.5 day conference.

c. Report to Emeriti Board and University regarding AROHE conf.
   Bert indicated he will give a full report to both the Emeriti Board, and the Provost office, regarding the conference, and hopefully some new ideas on what we might want in our future.

III. Comments from Rich
a. Implementation of congratulatory letter from Provost to new Emeriti after Board approval. This will include:
   i. Information about recognition dinner for new Emeriti in May
ii. **Maintaining UC email privileges & listing of Emeriti benefits**

iii. **Recognition they are now on the Emeriti Listserve**

Rich indicated this has now been decided, and the first letters from Beverly will go out in approx. three weeks, since that is the first BoT mtg since implementation of the new plan.

Rich indicated these items will be included in either the letter or attachments, along with Emeriti Benefits. Bert indicated the Emeriti Board is ready and willing to help with finalizing this communication to the new Emeriti.

He also suggested to Rich that the Provost office go ahead and finalize a date in mid to late May, 2015 for the next recognition and appreciation banquet for new Emeriti.

b. **Re-institution of Five Year Awards for faculty, beginning at either 15 or 20 years of service**

Rich indicated this will happen, and he plans to work with HR on implementation.

IV. **Committee on UG Research Mentorships—Gene**

a. **Status of PR for new program**

i. **Use of “3-D” listserve—Rich**

Rich indicated he will ask Gigi Escoe what is the status of the “triple D” Listserve as a potential avenue for getting the word out to Deans and Academic Unit Heads.

ii. **Contacting Tracy Hermann as Faculty Chair—Bert**

iii. **Information to the Emeriti Listserve—Bert**

iv. **Information to the new Emeriti—Bert**

Rich stated he is meeting with Dept Heads in A & S next week, and he will ask them to contact any Emeriti in their units who remain active with their research and scholarship (particulary new Emeriti). The Heads will encourage any of these individuals to contact us if they are interested in potentially serving as a mentor for ug students.

Thus, rather than sending emails to the new Emeriti, and then perhaps all Emeriti, we will wait until we know how successful this approach is in finding interested Emeriti.

b. **Intro paragraph describing new program—Gene**

Both Gene and David had suggestions for corrections of the material distributed at today’s mtg regarding these mentorships. Changes will be made and forwarded to Gigi and Cory for distribution.
V. Committee on City Tour for New Faculty in August—Bruce/David/Bert
   a. Final details of tour—Bruce/David
      David indicated what the final plans are for the tour, with drive-bys of numerous landmarks in the city, and stopping at Bellevue Park, Washington Park, and the Union Terminal/Museum Ctr.
   b. Information in packet for guests—Bert
      Bert indicated numerous materials have been donated, including a city map from AAA, brochures of city activities and a downtown map from the Convention Ctr, Parking Passes for the surface lot behind the Alumni Ctr, and UC Foundation folders to hold the material. Bruce and Jim will likely also contribute other materials.
   c. Provision of goodies before tour—Bert
      Panera Bread will deliver coffee and pastries at 8:45 to the parking lot. A card table is needed, and OJ if that will also be served. Rich suggested using the inside of the Alumni Ctr, which may delay when the bus will get filled.
   d. Status of reservations—Rich
      Rich indicated a new and more detailed email had been sent to the new faculty this AM, and that eight reservations had already been received.
   e. Status of parking for guests
      Free parking passes are being made available by the Parking Office, thanks to Steve Sayer as Senior Associate Vice President for Campus Services.

VI. Other Committee Reports
   a. Working with Sue Ratto to improvement retirement process—Henry
      Work for this committee will begin sometime in the fall term
   b. Second Bridge Tournament co-sponsored with Woman’s Club—Peter
      Peter anticipates having a firm date for the next Bridge Tournament during the fall term
   c. Fourth speaker series on Financial & Estate Planning with UCF—David
      Bert will ask Jeff Dundon what he has planned for the fourth panel. Considerable discussion centered on getting more university faculty groups involved so that these excellent seminars could be heard by more faculty who very much need the information. Specifically, the
Faculty Senate, AAUP, HR, UCF, and Emeriti should form a committee to determine the best way to make this information available, including that faculty at different levels of their careers are likely to need different kinds of information. **Bert will contact these organizations to see if a larger committee can be formed. Cora will join David Lee and Gene on this committee.**

VII. New Business

a. New Committees needed for:
   i. **Coordinating speaker series with FC and Woman’s Club**
   ii. **Creating more speaker series with UCF/on our own**
      A committee for both of these will likely be sufficient currently. Anyone interested should let Bert know.
   iii. **Submitting budget for FY2016**
      While we don’t currently see a significant change in our budget for FY2016, a committee should be formed to review the FY2015 budget, and recommend changes for FY2016. Anyone interested should let Bert know.
   iv. **Working with Provost office to include Emeriti in University activities**
      A committee is likely not needed at this moment, since Rich has agreed he and the Provost have this squarely in mind.
   v. **Other new Emeriti activities??**
      David suggested we should keep in mind the Emeritus College concept, and begin to think whether there is justification for such an entity in the reasonably near future.

b. Other New Business?
   Rich reported that the Faculty Center is alive and reasonably well in the university administration thinking, but that no specifics are forthcoming at this time. The new eating facility associated with the renovations of Nippert is not being considered as a possibility. Bert reminded the Board that consistent with this, the administration is providing the Fac Club another $40,000 subsidy for FY2015, the same as they did for FY2014. They clearly want the FC to remain viable during the period of trying to create a Faculty Center.

**The next meeting will be held Monday, September 15, noon to 1:30.**

Submitted by:
Bert Huether