**ERFSA-HUMBOLDT Executive Committee Minutes for May 12, 2022**

**In attendance**: Marshelle Thobaben, Jeffry Borgeld, James Floss, Susan Dobie

**Opening Discussions**: There was a consensus that we try to meet in-person in the Fall at the Plaza Grill, Plaza View room. James will investigate if the technical setup allows the presenters to use PowerPoint and provide access to members who wish to Zoom in.

**Fall Presenters**: We decided that members of the Executive Committee will share responsibilities to introduce presenters at the luncheon meetings and send follow-up thank you letters.

Bernadette will contact the Yurok tribe regarding a presentation about the recent condor release and other potential speakers including, Allison Bronson, Biological Sciences, Karen Davy, Music, Elizabeth Rivera, Theater and Dance, Christopher E. Slay, Biological Sciences (arboreal salamanders), Gordon Lewis Ulmer, Anthropology and Oscar M. Vargas Hernandez, Biological Sciences (pitcher plants) and Gordan Olmner.

**Membership**: We have 46 paid members. In mid-June, Jeff will receive information from Human Resources about recent retirees. Marshelle revised the recruitment flyer to invite new retirees to join ERFSA. Jeff will edit the flyer and contact Ariel Aaron, Benefits Officer regarding distributing the updated flyer.

**Treasurer’s Report**:

* The January 2022 Humboldt Area Foundation statement showed a balance of $51,462.94.  This reflects a decrease of ($2,363.30).
* The February 2022 Humboldt Area Foundation statement showed a balance of $49,981.14, a decrease of $1,481.80.
* The March 2022 Humboldt Area Foundation statement showed a balance of $50,618.27, an increase of $637.13.  The CSU-ERFSA dues rebate of $208.35 was received for the month.
* Cal Poly Humboldt's Account balance was $1,579.59 on June 30th, 2021. Our updated balance is $3,659.51.

**Provost Office:** Marshelle will be collaborating with the provost office to update the webpage and other projects due to the unanticipated medical leave of the ERFSA administrative assistant.

**Emeritus Status:** Marshelle will be getting consensus with the University Senate Chair and Provost on the guidelines for the "Vetting" Process for Awarding Emeritus Status.

Marshelle updated the “Emeritus Status Flyer” for retirees on how to obtain emeritus status. It will be sent to the ERFSA listserv in late summer. Jeff will be discussing it with Ariel Aaron, Benefits Officer, for campus distribution.

**Emeritus Status Parking Benefit**: Marshelle will contact Frank Whitlatch for an update on the parking privileges.

**ACTION: Bylaws**: May 12, 2022, the revised ERFSA Bylaws ***were approved*** by the Executive Committee.

Jeff Borgeld will send a ballot to ERFSA paid membership to accept or reject the revised bylaws.

**Small Grant Program**: Exc Com selected 6 awardees /rejected 2 applications-all were notified, and checks sent to awardees.

Marshelle & James introduced all awardees at the University Awards ceremony on May 10, 2022, 3 of the 6 attended the event.

Grant recipient’s press release was in the provost’s March 9th weekly campus email, a general campus announcement, CSU News , Times Standard, and other media outlets.

**ACTION**: 2023 grant forms were approved by Exe Com.

**Fund Raising**: Susan is working on three templates: previous donors, potential donors, and thank you letters. Marshelle will contact Frank Whitlatch to ask if he is willing to consult with the Exc Com on our grant fundraiser.

Our next meeting is tentatively set for Thursday, June 23 at 1PM.

--Submitted by James Floss, Association Communications Chair, Friday, May 13, 2022