UCSB Emeriti Association Board Meeting May 7, 2024 President's Report

For emeriti and retired librarians, researchers, and lecturers, this is our first year of universal membership: **no dues required**; contributions to the Emeriti Association to support our activities are welcome. We will soon be able to announce a UCSB Development fund that enables credit card use for donations to the Emeriti Association as well as tax-deductible status.

The Program Committee has arranged for a wide variety of activities including webinars, cultural events, and bike rides. This is the second year in which the UCSB Library has hosted an event that honors emeriti and their contributions to UCSB. In the first year, emeriti who contributed their papers to the library's Special Collections were recognized. In the second year, emeriti who remain active researchers were recognized. We are in the process of planning the third year of this valuable and very popular initiative.

The Development and Engagement committee's fundraising activities on behalf of our Promise Scholars were successful, and a plan to enable mentoring relationships between emeriti and Promise Scholars is in the works. Work on our website ucsbemeritiassociation.edu in is the active planning stage.

Our newest committee, Emeriti Welfare, has a full agenda, including concern about the quality of guidance and advice for emeriti and staff contemplating retirement. On-campus consulting has been eliminated and all questions are now directed to the Retirement Administration Service Center (RASC) located in Oakland.

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