**March 2024 Exc Com Meeting Notes**

**In attendance:** Marshelle Thobaben, Jeffery Borgeld, James Floss, Susan Dobie, Lou Ann Wieand

**Program Chair**: Susan

Debriefing: 37-40 people attended our condor presentation. James recorded the presentation on Condor reintroduction by Tiana Williams-Claussen and received permission from her and the attendees for the question-and-answer session. They will be archived on both our website and our Google Drive. [update: uncertain with the ACC resignation]

Spring Program Presenters:

* April 11: Alison O'Dowd, Ph.D.: *Klamath Renewal Project*. Introduced by Jeffery Borgeld, ERFSA, Membership Chair
* May 9: Mark A. Johnson, Chief of Staff of the President's Office at Cal Poly Humboldt, will discuss his new duties. Introduced by Susan Dobie, ERFSA Program Chair

Future Presenters:

We continued our discussion about future presentations. One idea was a program about Community Emergency Response Teams. Susan will be contacting our previous grant recipients as presenters. Maxwell Schnurer was discussed as a possible presenter, focusing on his involvement in creating a Communications Degree program at Pelican Bay Prison. As many of our presentations are science-centered and environmental, we discussed having more arts-centered presentations for the fall. James will contact the Arcata Playhouse; possible presenters could be David Ferney or Jackie Dardeneau.

**Membership Chair:** Jeff

Number of members: 40 annual members

Working with Cameron R Allison Govier to update on the "catalog*"* incorporating the newly approved Emeritus Status awardees.

**Treasurer’s Report: Lou Ann**

ERFSA Funds Cal Poy Humboldt: TV012 Account $5,237.12

HAF & WRCF Account: $ at $53,540

Mothers Cooking—ERFSA Social changed our order to be for 30 people, our commitment now, for half the cost, will be $289.12 which has been paid.

Follow-up automatic renewal of membership possible?

**Communications Chair: James**

James is contacting presenters to create fuller press releases that include photographs. He will be contacting the presenters to gather further information and photos from them. Press was sent out earlier this time around and repeated closer to the event.

**New Discussion Items Marshelle**

**Emeritus Status**

Emeritus status awarded to 9 faculty, staff and administrators.

* Meeting to discuss the timetable process with Provost Capps, James Woglam, University Senate Chair, Andrea, and Lauren on March 27th.

**Small Grant Program**

* Small Grant flyer was sent to campus on Feb 28th and is due Thursday, March 28, 2024.
* The total amount available for the grants is $5,000-$6,000.
* Exc. Com. will have a Zoom call on Thursday, April 4, 1pm, to select the grant recipients.
* Jeff volunteered to notify the grant applicants via email with an attached letter of their status [received/did not receive a grant].*Jeff will tally the independent review scores.*
* *Jefff and Lou Ann will be the contact Exc Com for OAA reception the grant recipients*

Engagement Hub Meeting with Andrea and Erika Wright, Research Development, Sponsored Programs, March 14, 9am, the Grant Program will be posted on the Engagement Hub.

**Septentrio Winery Emeritus Status Awardees and Membership Septentrio Winery Reception**:

March 28th, Thurs, 4:30-7pm. Contacts: Tynel**, Septentrio Winery** and Alby Alawoya, Mothers Cooking.

Invitations were sent to President Jackson, his Administrative Team and Provost Capps.

Marshelle sent the announcement to the ERFSA listserv only inviting ERFSA members and honored guests on Feb 23rd and will send a reminder on March March 24th.

* Jeff volunteered to register guests. There will be name tags & special labels for new ES awardees.
* Agreed on the program: Introduction of the Exe Com Members and Guests of Honors, ES awardees introduce themselves and Provost Capps, VP Frank, & University Senate Chair Jim Woglam give remarks.

**Fundraiser**

Exe. Com. is still seeking an interested ERFSA member to be the Fundraiser Chair.

**Website**

We would like to have a listing of all luncheon presenters including their video, photos, and PowerPoint presentations on the ERFSA website. We decided not to include obituaries on the website. [update: Future web changes are now in limbo with resignation of the ACC]

**Exc. Com. meetings** will meet immediately following the luncheon presentations for April. For May a date needs to be selected.

**Currently Known Exe Com Vacations/out of area**

Jeff: March 19 to 26

Marshelle: April 12 to May 14th

Lou Ann: March 31 to April 8

James: April 4 to April 10

--Submitted by James Floss, Communications Chair, Tuesday, March 19, 2024