## HSU-ERFSA Coordinating Committee Meeting December 9, 2021

**In attendance:** Marshelle Thobaben, Rollin Richmond, Ken Fulgham, Jeffry Borgeld, Bernadette Cheyne, James Floss, Susan Dobie

## **Opening Discussions:**

Bob Gearheart, a retired Environmental Resource Engineer, gave a wonderful presentation about wastewater treatment called "From Arcata to Accra – Natural Wastewater Treatment and Sanitation for Health: Arcata Marsh and Wildlife Sanctuary to Worldwide".

Afterward, the ERFSA Coordinating Committee met. We discussed our website <u>https://erfsa.humboldt.edu</u>. We still plan to have a FAQ section and to possibly link to the recorded Zoom sessions of our recent presenters. Our next Coordinating Committee meeting will be on January 6 at 1 pm.

## **Future Presentations:**

February 10: Fernando Paz, coordinator of the Latinx Center for Academic Excellence March 10: Berit Potter, an ERFSA award winner from the Department of Art April 14: Arne Jacobsen, Environmental resources engineer May 12: Rafael Cuevas Uribe, of Fisheries Biology.

**Membership update**: We have two new members, bringing us to 36 members. There was discussion of getting a few sentences in an early edition of the Humboldt Now mailing in the Spring Semester on the benefits of membership for retiring Staff, Lectures, and Faculty. James will draft the comments.

**Treasurer's Report**: Despite market fluctuations, our finances have improved from last month. Our current Humboldt Area Foundation account is at \$53,382.67 and our HSU balance is at \$2,859.51.

## **Future Concerns**:

• February 1 is the application deadline for *Applying for Emeritus Status* <u>https://erfsa.humboldt.edu/home-0</u> A reminder notice will be sent to the HSU-ERFSA listserv.

• We are investigating the possibility of ERFSA members accessing the Wellness Program and receiving gym/pool privileges.

• The ERFSA reception is planned for January 26 at Septentrio Winery, 650 6th Street, Arcata from 4:30 - 7 pm. The event will be COVID compliant. We will be sending an invitation to the President's Advisory Committee members. Spouses and significant others are invited to attend the reception.

--Submitted by James Floss, Friday, December 10, 2021