

Agenda- Unocal Gulf Coast Alumni Club-3/2/16

In attendance – Officers: Jerry Lohr, Dale Putnam, Gary Najdowski, Steve Ohnimus, Wylie Barrow and Ann Mathis.

- Approval of the 1/06/2016 meeting minutes. Minutes were approved as presented.
- Membership drive update and reporting. Dale advised that approximately 80 members (includes spouse) still haven't sent in their dues for 2016. Gary advised that about 1/3 of the 2015 membership still need to renew. It was generally agreed that we would send out a reminder email as well as call the members to encourage sending in their dues. Ann contacted David King about joining the Club; he said he would consider it but he has yet to join.
- Treasurers report . Dale reported on the results of our latest lunch. 36 attended which included 11 freebies; \$515 was collected but our costs were \$680 which resulted in a loss of \$165.
- Luncheon speakers and programs.
 - Current options for next two meetings – Texas Rangers (May), Wild well and Continental drift. We have a good mix of speakers for this year. Wylie has already contacted Ryan Christian who has agreed to speak in May; his topic is “ Dramatic History of the Texas Rangers” . As we get closer to September, Wylie will contact the other potential speakers.
 - New recommendations – Bill Gilmer U of H Business School. Steve advised that Chevron will also provide speakers.
 - Christmas program entertainment. Dale advised that we normally don't need to commit until July or August. Most entertainers cost about \$500. There was a general discussion regarding the type of entertainment we could have such as background entertainment or a staged show as we have had in the past. No decisions - just discussed.
 - Roles and responsibilities. Wylie advised that although he has been spearheading the search for speakers, all members of the Board are encouraged to suggest speakers; Graydon Laughbaum has provided several suggestions.
- CRA May meeting issues/ Regional issues – Steve O. Steve will be attending meetings. The processes involve the Chapter Presidents so Jerry will attend the meeting in Philadelphia. One of the issues discussed are Benefits; Chevron believes that the #1-800 works well but the Retirees don't agree but there is an opportunity to do a survey to vent any issues.
- Advocacy network. Steve briefly discussed CAN. Gary advised that there is a page on our website with information on the network.

- CRA fellowships and succession planning. Jerry & Steve briefly discussed the CRA issues but Dale & Gary advised that we need a succession plan at our level. This is a problem at all chapters. We need to cultivate volunteers which should include spouses.
- Promotion of Chevron Humankind. Ann did a good job discussing issue at our last lunch meeting. Jerry asked what can we do for our membership. How can Ann amplify the issues of money that is not being taken advantage of? Ann agreed to look into further and develop a plan to better highlight the Program.
- Online Chapter information access. Gary advised that the information is readily accessible on our website. The cost of the website is approximately \$35 per quarter. If we continue with the website, we need to train a second Board member on how to maintain / update the site.
- Member survey
 - On line option
 - Benefits support
 - Lunch and/or dinner venue
 - Desired type and topics for speakers
 - Christmas entertainment options
 - Other????

Jerry will develop a Strawman for the survey. Gary advised that there are online sites like SurveyMonkey or Checkbox.com that could be utilized to conduct a survey. Decisions will need to be made as to the survey questions and to name an Administrator.

- Board annual schedule of events, actions and reporting. These were, in part, commented on at last meeting, i.e., “ The Board will meet the first Wednesday of the month; exceptions are the summer months or if there is no business to address.”
- Summer schedule and next meeting. It was agreed to meet in April, May and August; we will not meet in June or July.

Next meeting will be on April 6th.

Meeting was adjourned around 9am.