

Agenda- Unocal Gulf Coast Alumni Club- 4/06/16

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

- Approval of the 3/02/2016 meeting minutes. Minutes were approved as presented.
- Membership update. Dale advised that approximately 30 members (includes spouse) have sent in their dues for 2016 since our last meeting; current membership is at 225 vs 263 from last year. Gary advised that of the 42 members (does not include spouse) listed on our call list, 11 have paid their dues. Three members have chosen not to renew for different reasons (Barrett, Lash & Whitaker). That leaves us with 28 members who still need to remit their dues; it was agreed that each Board member will continue to pursue the members on their call list for resolution.
- Treasurers report. Dale reported on the results of the First Quarter ended 3/31/2016.
- Luncheon speakers and programs.
 - Texas Rangers (May) – speaker needs descent screen? Wylie advised that Ryan Christian has committed to speak in May; his topic is “ Dramatic History of the Texas Rangers” . If Ryan needs a screen, Jerry will try and provide one. Wylie will introduce Ryan at the luncheon. As we get closer to September, Wylie will contact the other potential speakers.
 - Communications for May luncheon meeting – door prizes? Gary will send out the lunch invite today.
 - Wild well and Continental drift – status of arrangements. Wylie will pursue for September.
 - Bill Gilmer U of H Business School. Wylie opened up a discussion regarding Rice’ s music school. They have students who are studying classical music and they need an audience to perform in front of. Jerry suggested that we could have them in over a lunch to perform and still have a speaker afterwards. Gary inquired if they would perform holiday music. Wylie will pursue further.
 - Christmas program entertainment – contacts and arrangements responsibilities confirmed before summer hiatus. Dale suggested we wait until July or August before confirming the entertainment. He also suggested that we should consider the results of our upcoming survey to find out what kind of entertainment the Membership would enjoy. However, it was decided that, as a default, we would use the Barbershop Quartet.

CRA May meeting issues/ Regional issues – Steve O. – Saturday area meeting items. Steve briefly discussed items including Chevron Advocacy Network (CAN), benefits, etc. CRA met with employees contemplating retirement (Boomer Network). The “Boomer Network” refers to the various current Chevron employee groups that have been organized to have fairs, lectures, panels, etc. The 2016 CRA meeting will be in Philadelphia, 2017 meeting will be in the San Francisco area, and the 2018 meeting will be in South Texas.

CRA fellowships and succession planning – suggestions for candidates. Steve advised that “Fellowships” are a succession planning tool. Dale opened up a discussion regarding possible candidates to eventually replace the Treasurer and Secretary; it was concluded that we should start now in terms of identifying candidates and contacting them regarding any interest they may have in serving on the Board.

Promotion of Chevron Humankind – suggestions for and from Ann. Ann has been emailing Chevron re Humankind but hasn't received any responses as yet. She will continue to pursue. Ann is trying to identify if there is any money that is not being taken advantage of and to further develop a plan to better highlight the Program.

Member survey - Jerry

- On line option
- Benefits support
- Lunch and/or dinner venue
- Desired type and topics for speakers
- Christmas entertainment options
- Administrator

Jerry again suggested that he develop a “Strawman” for the survey. But Gary advised that he already developed a working model in Google to conduct a survey; responses would be saved in a worksheet. Gary asked Dale & Jerry to review documentation in Google Drive; both agreed to review. It was decided that Gary would conduct the survey with the Board members only. This would provide the Board an opportunity to see how the model works as well make suggestions for the survey. Ann will compose questions for the survey re Chevron Humankind which Gary will insert into the survey.

Summer schedule and next meeting. It was agreed not to meet in May, June or July.

Next meeting will be on August 10th. Meeting was adjourned around 9am.