

## **Agenda 12/01/2017- Unocal Gulf Coast Alumni Club**

**In attendance – Board members: Jerry Lohr, Dale Putnam, Gary Najdowski, Wylie Barrow, Steve Ohnimus and Ann Mathis. Also attending was guest Ed Ruckstuhl. Meeting opened 7:30am at Sugar Land Town Center Cafe Express.**

- **Review and approve minutes from November 3rd Meeting: Motion was made, seconded and approved to accept the minutes as presented.**
- **Treasurer' s report:Dale discussed current bank balances and recent transactions including purchases of gift baskets and gift cards.**
- **Membership update: 91 so far for 2018 vs 244 for 2017. Sheldon Roberdeau and wife have moved to Austin but will remain a member.**
- **Christmas dinner agenda, election, door prizes: Gary discussed the dates and menus for the holiday dinner and for all of 2018; there were no conflicts for the dates and the menus were agreeable. Gary advised that we have received 61 payments for dinner; 17 have verbally confirmed and there are 7 maybes. Dale will confirm the entertainment for dinner. Jerry will bring 9 bottles of wine to be gifted. Jerry advised that the nominating committee will be present to nominate Ed Ruchstuhl to replace Wylie Barrow.**
- **Chevron advocacy: Jerry briefly discussed the “ Aunt Edna” responses to questions regarding fracking.**
- **UGCAC annual report to CRA: The report was briefly discussed. Gary advised that he reviewed the work done by Dale and agreed with his responses. Jerry will add his ideas regarding succession.**
- **Status of laptop purchase: Gary advised that Mike Reblin has a computer we can have. Mike will clean the drive and it should be functional; Jack Schanck might have one as well. Gary can test it with Jerry' s projector when it is available. Gary also advised that he has access to a projector screen.**

- **Speaker for first luncheon meeting 2018:** Ed Ruchstahl suggested someone from the auto industry to discuss that latest safety features now being installed on new cars. Jerry suggested that Ed obtain more information on the subject which will be discussed in more detail at our next meeting. Steve suggested someone be brought in to discuss the new tax bill currently being crafted by Congress. Gary will contact Joel Methews who is a tax person and a Unocaler as a potential speaker.
- **Paid spouse vs new member prospect subsidy:** After some discussion it was recommended to not allow free lunches for member spouses at our February lunch anymore but rather to offer it to potential members and their spouses only. Motion was made, seconded and approved to accept the recommendation as presented.

Wylie advised that his neighbor, who is a Texaco legacy person, has expressed an interest in joining our Club. Steve thought that the Constitution may state Unocal legacy only. Jerry stated that both are under the umbrella of Chevron and CRA so it shouldn't matter. For now it was agreed that Wylie can bring the Texaco legacy as a guest to dinner and that the issue will be discussed further at our next meeting.

- **CRA annual meeting help and activities (San Antonio 5/21-22):** Steve briefly discussed the venues for the May meeting.
- **Next Board meeting date:** January 12, 2018.

Meeting was adjourned around 8:15am

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