

# Spring 2001

Santa Fe, New Mexico

April 17, 2001

Judy Fredenberg, Chair, called meeting to order. Approximately 52 members were present at the regional business meeting.

I. Introduced the Executive Committee of Region VII

Josie Jimenez, Secretary/Treasurer

Denise Wallen, Member at Large

Winnie Ennenga, Newly elected Member at Large

Brian Farmer, Newly elected Regional Representative

Judy asked for a show of hands of new to members Region VI. About one-quarter of the members present were new members.

Judy asked for each member to introduce themselves, indicate what institution they were from, and what unit they represent.

Judy expressed her great appreciation for so many New Mexico members were present at the regional meeting.

Josie Jimenez asked members to review and note any corrections needed to the minutes and financial statement handout prior to the beginning of the meeting. Motion made by Jeanine Rees for minutes to be approved as presented. Second motion made by Gay Allison. Carol Quintana motioned financial statements to be accepted as presented. Motion seconded by Mary Atella.

II. Judy indicated that the elections had been delayed due to the new by laws being passed. Judy indicated that the two positions which would become available at the end of the calendar year would be Secretary/Treasure and Member-At-Large.

III. Judy announced to the membership that Jack Long from Arizona State University was en the recipient of the new member travel award awarded at the national meeting.

IV. Report from the Executive Board. No report.

Report from the Professional Development Committee- Anne Wallace not present. No report.

Program Committee- Jean Humphries not present. Judy indicated that she knew Jean had been assisting in the coordination of workshops to be offered at the national meeting. Judy announced to

be a moderator or panelist at the national meeting. The national meeting will begin on November 11, 2001. Jean Humphries is Region VI's workshop coordinator for the national meeting.

#### Nominating and Leadership Development Committee

Carey Conover indicated there was no new news.

Committee of member services (COMS) - Bo Bogdanski, Janie Morales-Castro & Carol Quintana are Region VII's representatives. Bo advised the membership that the membership committee had been replaced by COMS. The three standing committees (Professional Development and Membership Committee) were replaced with COMS.

COMS are in to second year of existence. Bo indicated that the standing committee would pick up these duties if it were decided that this committee should no longer exist. Bo reminded the members that it is very important to complete the membership profiles on the national NCURA website. The member profile indicates who you are, what role function you are involved in at your institution, and what your field of interest is.

The national NCURA office anticipates using these profiles for preparing nametags and rosters for national and regional meetings. Bo stressed to the members that the membership profiles were a great resource for both national and regional speakers. Bo encourages current members to update their profile, as all NCURA members will utilize the membership profile. Bo indicated that both Cindy White and Tara Bishop have worked very hard in encouraging members to complete and update their profiles.

Bo reminded members that Gunta Riders is contemplating making all articles 100% electronic. A comment was made that news blasts would be once a month and that Regional reminder would be coming out via this method also. Bo mentioned that Janie would be sending out a new member survey to new members to collect feedback on services being provided or not provided.

Bo mentioned the national NCURA website is being enhanced so that it will be more user friendly and modified to meet members needs.

Judy mentioned that new members should not feel that they couldn't volunteer because they are new.

Carol Quintana shared with the membership the positive experiences and relationships she has established through the many years with NCURA.

Denise Wallen informed the membership that the NCURA national office has established three neighborhoods: 1) electronic research administrator 2) pre-award and 3) fiscal. The establishment of these neighborhoods provides resources to meet the memberships needs for information.

Bo mentioned chat rooms would begin in July. It is anticipated that the least two can be done prior to the national meeting in November. Chat rooms will be a place to go electronically to gain resources from the various neighborhoods.

Judy mentioned that the Region VI website will be moving to the national website. Noted that it will be a fairly transparent move. Judy noted that updates would be made by the national office and would strive to have uniformity in regional websites.

V. Judy. Spring 2002 Joint Region VI/VII meeting to be held in Hawaii. Judy informed new members that every fourth year regional meetings have been held in Hawaii. Two possible sites being looked at are Maui and the Big Island. Region VII will be in charge of the program and Region VI will be in charge of the site preparations. Judy noted that both regions work in collaboration to prepare a successful meeting.

Judy reminded members to let the executive committee know what topics you want to see and what type of topics you would like to see taken off the program.

Winnie mentioned that the national program is almost completed but this did not mean that it was late to volunteer for national meeting activities. Judy used Tim Edwards from University of Montana as an example. In 1999 Tim won the national meeting travel award and from there was appointed to fill in for the duration of term for the member at large position in the region. Has since then become a very active member. Josie commented that the welcome booth is a good place to start with volunteering and a place where networking can take place. Judy then stressed the importance of the hospitality suite at the national meeting is another place to network.

Judy also mentioned the "Buddy System" for new members. Explained that veteran members would "hook up" with a new member at the national meeting so the veteran members could guide the new members to meeting activities or even a good restaurant. Judy said she would continue to encourage the "Buddy System". Jeanne Rees voiced criticism of new members signing up for "Buddy Systems" and never showing up to meet w/ veteran members. Judy stressed that members are here to assist new and veteran members and are here to assist in any way possible. Judy noted that the comfort levels of each individual are different and this should be taken into account.

Judy said that even though 2003 seems to be in the distance, Region VII would be in charge of the site for the regional meeting. Gay Allison noted the various places meetings had been held in the past. They are as follows:

Possible places suggested were Denver, CO, Utah, or Estes Park, CO. Gay mentioned that Montana is cold in April. A draw for a ---- meeting is a warmer climate. Judy gave her e-mail address and asked that if any member had suggestions for a site to let her know.

VI Other. The national office will be hosting a regional workshop session in June in Washington DC on financial management and meeting planning. Judy noted that both her and Josie would be representing Region VII at this workshop.

Judy expressed her great appreciation to Brian Farmer, even though he was not able to make the meeting, for all his hard work in acquiring the site and making the numerous arrangements for this meeting.

Judy asked Larry Irwin to stand up and informed the membership of Larry's star status at the NCAA final four-basketball championship.

Georgetown and Arkansas were playing; Larry was at the official scoring table when electrical problems caused the scoreboard to no longer function. Larry attempted to fix the problem and after approx. seven minutes air horns were given to Larry to call the time outs. In honor of this accomplishment, Judy presented Larry w/his own air horn good for 8v blasts, a miniature basketball and his official time keeper (hard) hat.

Motion was made by Judy to adjourn the meeting at 1:08 pm.

Respectively Submitted,

Josie Jimenez, Secretary, Treasurer, Region VII