Faculty Club Board Meeting Minutes

September 7, 2018

Present: Xan Johnson, Gillian Tufts, Eleanor Divver, Roxine Lawton, Judith Warner, Jane Laird, Ashok Tuteja

Ex-Officio: David Morrison, David Pendell, John Burton

Excused: Yuan Ji, Mohammed Mirfakhrai, Man Hung

Xan Johnson presiding: meeting began before 4p with Harriett Hopf, majority of board here at 4p

**Board Business**

* Harriett Hopf (interim VP of faculty) attended
	+ Introductions made
* Discussion re the faculty club as a whole and goal of FC
	+ Historically re FC
		- Pay for only food and drink
		- Deal for spaces on campus, to decrease the cost
	+ Goal: to promote faculty interaction, to feel like a cohesive whole, **all one campus**
	+ Request by FC
		- Get word out to all faculty, variety methods tried
		- Office for faculty gets requests but historically would not sent to all faculty – not clear that there is a full faculty email list.
			* Feels campus wide event for advantage for faculty
		- Historically we have sent paper invitations, this is expensive
		- We have met with marketing, “At the U” – allowed to put things on the campus calendar, but not feature in @theU as it is a faculty event, not campus wide
* Land / Cabin discussion with Harriett Hopf
	+ Here to update on the land / cabin
	+ Historical details of cabin
		- Donated to U 1982 by Ed Clyde, fine to be for the faculty club with vision of being a faculty center, ie Asilomar type location
		- To sell the land decision made in April 2018 after considered the state of the cabin, too much money needed to update
			* Faculty Club was not alerted by this, we discovered by accident when setting up the Cabin Bash for June 2018
			* Decision made by administration within university, ie office of Ruth Watkins
			* Will go on the market in Spring 2019
			* ?? 1 million
	+ And to ask for ideas as to how to use money from the selling of the land/cabin. Initial thoughts:
		- ?? **½ would go as endowment for faculty club**
			* Ed Clyde proposal / desire for small group meeting / study groups to stimulate mind and spirit away from the pressures of campus
			* Could come up with Pie in the Sky ideas, how to grow the FC:
				+ Touchdown spaces across campus, ie faculty center
				+ Social events
				+ Collaborate across campus
				+ Also, include how to increase membership.
				+ Feel the FC does a good job serving the current members, but what can we do to increase this
		- Endowment would be invested
		- Then $20,000 used per year, interest on the endowment
		- Concern raised re the possibility that FC would be left out or the FC proposal not accepted, then what
			* Reassurance given that Ruth Watkins is committed to and supports the FC’s concept and activities. Values what FC provides for the faculty at large
		- Xan reminded all that this volunteer group has put forth to promote the FC. Feels we have done a great job with having 250 faculty membership. That it would be difficult for this small # to come with larger proposal.
			* Refutes that concept that the group is for drinking alcohol and serving self only vs promoting cohesion and fun activities among faculty and their families
			* Included what we have done with our limited resources …
		- **The other ½ would go as an endowment for “something”**
			* Having conversations with the family of the donor
			* Ie per Ed Clyde vision, could offer small grants for faculty to go to off-site U location
			* FC input here, but not clear where this money would be used
	+ Harriett commits
		- Committed to finding better way to alert faculty re faculty club events
		- Not promising all but hopes to improve communication
		- Will check on the annual $10,000 for 2018, will make sure FC has the funding
		- Other comments
			* Reviewed FC was included with New faculty orientation
			* Suggesting giving new faculty a 1 year free due, with continuation unless opt out?
			* Fully supportive of the FC
			* Space is an important issue for the FC, ie will check re an unused spaces on campus that the FC could use – eg “touchdown space” modeled on the space in SOM
	+ Xan asking for all board members to begin thinking about proposal made by Harriett
		- Think about way to promote FC
		- Think about how the above monies could be used to support the FC and the activities for faculty
		- One suggestion made: Ie 20,000 not as a fixed amount but rather as a % because over time the $20,000 will be worth less

**Social events**

* Children’s Party
	+ Dec 7th , 5:30 – 7:30p
	+ Same santa, balloon granny, face painters/balloon artists, magician, singers
	+ Same location – Moran Eye Center
* Adult party
	+ Dec 13th
	+ Discussed where to hold the party, ended up deciding on Monson Center
* Motion, 2nd, passed for both
* Potential fall events, Xan will check into
	+ Volleyball
	+ Pioneer
	+ Possibly to meet in Crimson room before Volleyball game
* FC social
	+ Tonight is in the “old” site, this is because of the croquet game
	+ In the future, will be in new area (down the hall from the Starbucks on the main floor) – Shirley will (did) print up handouts

**Board Business**

* Any additional items
	+ Concern re invitation size in email being sent
	+ Question is as attachment vs inserted into body of email
* Need to make list of current board members – Gillian to do
	+ Phone numbers, cell number, emails

Next FC Board meeting: October 5, 2018, 4p Marriott Hotel

Meeting adjourned at 5pm