

Women's Club at UCF, Inc.

Spring Meeting

Rio Pinar Country Club

April 24, 2017

11:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.

## **WELCOME:**

President Kathy Weise extended a warm welcome to attendees and reiterated the mission of the organization.

*The mission of the Women's Club at UCF is to support the advancement of the University's ideals and goals; to provide and award scholarships to full-time, non-traditional students of the University of Central Florida; to welcome members from the community as well as the University; and to provide opportunities for sharing interests and developing friendships among members*

Special guest, former first lady Beryl Colbourn, was introduced. The luncheon planning committee chair, Martha Ricard, and members were recognized.

Margaret Osteen, Vice President, introduced New Members attending:

Candice Alcorn, Susan Jefferson, Pati Giambarberee, Karen Gisell, Becky Lee, Mary Ward-Singleton, Mindy Moore,

New members unable to attend: Lisa Jones, Patricia Johnson, Maria Harrington, Donna Gropper, Loraine Greifinger, Doris Lupp, Karetta Lee

A delicious luncheon was served and members had an opportunity to engage in discussion with table mates.

## **PROGRAM:**

Dr. Pamela "Sissi" Carroll, Dean of the College of Education and Human Performance at UCF, delivered a dynamic and inspiring program on different ways to view Diversity and Inclusiveness.

She introduced the audience to the Inclusive Education Studies Program at UCF. Students in this group might have formerly been labeled as having "Intellectual Disabilities". Students take at least 3 UCF Courses and live in the dorms and are fully integrated into the student population with positive results. Other populations of diverse students include those from Foster Care Programs, the Deferred Action for Childhood

Arrivals (DACA) Program, the LGBTQ Population, Homeless students, and those who are “First Generation in College”.

We frequently only think in terms of ethnic or religious diversity; She encouraged the audience to broaden our vision, check our general assumptions about people and “keep our glasses on”.

## **BUSINESS MEETING:**

Reports:

**TREASURER’S REPORT:** Lynn Moharam announced a current balance in the checking account of \$16,622.63 and a balance in the Share Savings Account of \$5,036.74. She thanked members for prompt payment and RSVP for the luncheon, noting this is the first time for accepting PayPal.

**SECRETARY’S REPORT:** Teresa Riedel advised that the Fall Luncheon minutes were on the table in the back of the room for review by any member.

**SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE REPORT:** Maggie LeClair reported that 2 Undergraduate Scholarships of \$3000 each and 1 Graduate Scholarship of \$3000 were dispersed this year.

Dean Michael Frumkin, College of Health and Public Affairs, spoke briefly on behalf of the graduate student recipient, Carrie Davis, regarding the importance of scholarships. He also gave a brief overview of COHPA’s move to the Downtown Campus.

A former undergraduate scholarship recipient, Angela Bardwell-Owens, addressed the audience to share that she will be graduating in Summer 2017. Her thesis topic is “Factors for Success for Non-traditional Students”. She is applying to graduate programs in Modeling and Simulation.

Kathy Weise reported we presently have 141 members. She also announced the signature event for scholarship fundraising was a “Non-Event”. The club raised in excess of \$13,000.

In the past year, 5 new Interest Groups were added.

## **ELECTION OF NEW OFFICERS:**

The slate of officers for 2017-2018 were presented:

President:	Teresa Riedel
Vice President:	Margaret Osteen
Treasurer:	Lynn Moharam
Secretary:	Linda Hennig

The motion was made to accept the slate by acclamation. The members voted unanimously to accept each officer, and they were sworn in. Kathy Weise welcomed Teresa Riedel as the new president and turned the gavel over to her.

### **NEW BOARD FOR 2017-2018.**

In addition to executive board members, standing committee members include:

Kathy Weise - Immediate Past President/Advisor

Maggie LeClair - Scholarship Chair

Karen Monteleone - UCF Foundation Liaison

Dell Shadgett – Historian

Karen Gisel – Parliamentarian

Judy Simonet – Interest Group Chair

Zalpha Hashem – Website Chair

Ruthie Rieder - Newsletter Editor

Mindy Moore and Roberta Shoopman - Program Chair

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

The Women's Club theme for next year will be a continuation of the current motto, "Moving Forward by Giving Back." President Riedel encouraged members to get involved.

The year 2018 will mark the club's 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary. The fall meeting will be 9/18/17 which will include a display and sign up for interest groups. Suggestions for new groups are welcome.

Annual dues are to be paid in July.

The meeting adjourned at 1:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda Hennig, Secretary

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