Draft Minutes, Executive Committee, Southern California Division, United Nations Association,

Noon, Sat., May 22, 2010

Shiloh Inn, Diamond Bar

Present: Mel Boynton (presiding), Judith Harris, Diane Gonzales, Richard Harris, Jim

Stanbery (recording), Ike Khamisani

Absent/excused: Barry Simon, David Tuckman, Carl Mariz, Brian Bise

Guests: Ardi Rashidi

1. WELCOME & AGENDA REVIEW/APPROVAL ... Mel Boynton

The meeting was called to order at 12:15, and the agenda was approved with the adjustments shown below.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES ... Mel Boynton

Unanimous consent to approve the minutes of the April board meeting as previously e-mailed.

3. TREASURER'S REPORT ... Jim Stanbery

Jim reported a bank balance of \$2670, with \$8001 in our investment funds, \$2234 earmarked for the Davanzo Fund and \$3148 earmarked for the Regional Council. He shared Margaret's itemization of Health Conferences income and expenses, and the executive committee concurred in her recommendation that \$1000 of the net gain be held by the division and earmarked for next year's conference, with the remainder of the net to be divided between the Pasadena and Long Beach/South Bay chapters, on the understanding that the \$500 initially advanced by the division for the conference was a division cost rather than conference income.

4. PRESIDENT'S REPORT ... Mel Boynton

Mel reported that he is chair of the national planning committee for the annual national meeting, and that Ban Ki Moon has been confirmed as a speaker.

Ardi has been asked to serve on the national by-laws committee and will be participating in a national conference call this coming week to pave the way for UNA's strategic alliance with the United Nations Foundation. It is important to coordinate the message we want to give our congressional representatives during the capitol visits at the annual meeting. Mel emphasized the importance of

ratification of the Law of the Sea Treaty, especially since decisions under the treaty as to authority over Antarctica will soon be due.

Mel confirmed the termination of our relationship with Susan Graf, who now has no link whatever with the division.

Diane invited Mel to the upcoming annual Long Bong/South Bay volunteer recognition tea.

Mel asked the committee's permission to contact John Moore about serving as our Model UN coordinator.

5. ANNUAL DIVISION MEETING ... Judith Harris

Judith will propose the location of the meeting for confirmation at the June board meeting. She is thinking in terms of either Bistro 45 or the Pasadena Women's City Club.

Mel proposed holding the June meeting in San Diego as part of their Charter Day observances. The August 28 board meeting probably cannot be held at Pilgrim Place due to construction there. Diane suggested Long Beach as an alternative.

New possibilities for chapters were discussed.

6. WEST COAST GLOBAL FORUM ... Diane Gonzales

Diane reported that she is working with Barry to organize the event, which will be focused on the world water crisis. Mel circulated Barry's latest update on preparations. It was the suggestion of the committee that the forum title not include the word "health" so as avoid confusion with next year's health conference.

7. CHAPTER SERVICES ... Richard Harris

Richard said he had nothing to add to the brief discussion of new chapter possibilities earlier in the meeting. Mel confirmed that Richard will be the recipient of the Arnold Goodman Award at the national meeting. Richard suggested a bicycling event as a money-raiser.

8. INLAND EMPIRE EVENT ... Ike

The chapter was commended on his recent event, and Ike announced that the chapter's next event will be Sunday, June 20, World Refugee Day, and will feature Marsha Hunt's presentation on that topic. It was suggested that the event be moved to the previous day to avoid Father's Day.

9. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 1:38.