

UNA-USA Southern California Division (SCD) – Region 9
Executive Committee Meeting - Shilo Inn, Diamond Bar, CA
Saturday, February 27, 2010

MINUTES

Last Revision: 4/28/10 – APPROVED TO POST

Members Present:

Mel Boynton-----President
Ardishir Rashidi-Kalhur-----CCD Rep./National Board of Directors
Diane Gonzalez-----Vice-President—Communications
Jim Stanbery----- Treasurer
David Tuckman-----Secretary/Division YPIC Chair
Barry Simon-----Vice-President—Resource Development
Lyn Harris Hicks-----Advocacy Mentor
Alison Marcus-----SFV Chapter YPIC member
Margaret Soderberg, M.D.-----Global Health Chair
Richard Harris-----Vice-President—Membership/Chapter Development
Ike Khamisani-----Inland Empire Chapter President

LUNCH: 11:30

Call to Order/Meeting Opened: Noon

WELCOME/INTRODUCTIONS: *Boynton*

SECRETARYS REPORT

Tuckman - presented a copy of the minutes from the January 10, 2010 Division Board Mtg. held in Pasadena and a copy of the Division Officers Contact List for review and corrections/updates.

MOTION: to approve the 1/10/10 Board minutes: 1st: by: *Simon*. SECONDED by *Gonzales*.

MOTION PASSES—unanimously

MOTION OF COMMENDATION: By *Boynton*: to commend David Tuckman, Red Cross DSHR Mass Care Supervisor, upon being honored the by L.A. County Department of Public Health by presentation of the Certificate of Excellence for his dedication and excellent service at a Mass Vaccination Center (POD) during the Pandemic H1N1 Public Health Emergency.

PASSED: Unanimously

National Board Report: *Rashidi-Kalhur* –explained that less than 1 year into the position as UNA-USA National President/CEO, Ambassador Tom Miller will resign on 3/15. One of the CEO/Presidents will need to step down. Miller made it easy and stepped-up. He has been offered another position outside of UNA-USA. UNA-USA is in discussion on possible collaboration with another organization. The combining of these 2 orgs make perfect sense. UNF’s Gillian Sorensen (former UN Assistant Secretary General) is pro UNA. It’s an ongoing discussion. Our National Chairs Thomas Pickering and Bill McDonnell want to keep autonomy but our Divisions/Regions may change. The UNA-USA mission is crucial and important. It’s a win/win situation. On Monday the National Board will have a conference call and Ed Elmendorf—CCD (Council of chapters & Divisions) Chair will be interim UNA-USA President/CEO. There will be a major announcement on this in June at the CCD Annual mtg. in Washington, D.C. The Council of (non-profit) Organizations affiliation with UNA-USA may disappear.

Harris-Hicks: What will happen with the Business Council [Business Council for the UN] and the [National] Council of Organizations? *Boynton*: It’s all subject to negotiation. UNA-USA

needs to merge to maintain our programs. Ed Elmendorf is bright and knows us well. He knows the importance of our new CEO, grassroots and our interests.

TREASURERS REPORT

Stanbery - presented the Treasurer's Proposed Budget [approved on 2/10/10] for Coming Year 2010. Topics covered were proposed budget for 2010; Chapter Per Capitas; income, expenses and deposits. Pg.-1 Line-16-18 Column B=2009 Budget. Column-C=actuals. Column-d=proposed 2010 budget. Line-22=National Per Capitas of \$1,250 in 2009 budget and \$625 proposed for 2010. Line-23=Natl. Conference Travel of \$1,500 in 2009. It is recommended the VP Expenses for Vice-Presidents can go to whatever out-of-pocket expenses (but will not include National Travel). Line-23 will be all National Conference Travel. NOTE: a "negative" [minus mark] represents expenditure. "No Negative" mark means an addition/income. The [West Coast] Global Forum usually breaks even. **Soderberg**: said she believes \$2,000 is earmarked for the 2010 Global Health Forum at the California Endowment. **Stanbery**: "you are right and entitled to it." **Boynton**: "We will honor our commitment of \$2,000 starter funds and we own Margaret for excellent health forum events." Stanbery: Line-52 shows events income 09' actuals of \$2,380. It will be changed to \$4,000. Line-53 "other event costs", column C shows -\$2,288. It will be changed to \$3,000. On line 56 we will do a footnote on the \$2,000 earmark for Dr. Soderberg for the Global Health Forum.

MOTION: to recommend the proposed budget to the full board at the 4/3 General Mtg. [later in the mtg. it was decided to move the mtg. to a different day.] **1st: Khamisani. 2nd Rashidi-Kalhur.**

MOTION PASSED: unanimously.

Boynton: If everyone at this table goes to the National convention [in Washington, D.C.] at \$500 X 12 officers = \$6,000, then on this division budget only \$100 would be paid out to each officer. **Harris-Hicks**: for those who don't go, they should put their money into the others if they choose to. Boynton: It's not in our budget to do this but, Lyn [Harris-Hicks] can do another fundraiser like the one she did last year for YPIC.

CHECK FOR YPIC DELEGATE TO CONVENTION: Stanbery: I have a check [\$400 (?)] for Juliet Flores for YPIC for travel in 09' to national convention. Barry Simon will make sure she gets it.

SIGNATORY AUTHORITY: Stanbery: for signatory authority for the Division bank account—it shall be treasurer Jim Stanbery, VP-Resource Development Barry Simon for the new signature card plus 3 Regional Council members and the Division President Mel Boynton = 6 signatories.

PER CAPITA ASSESSMENTS: full board consensus to bill again on Per Capita Assessments still due and not paid and to work things out the best we can.

[SO. CALIFORNIA REGIONAL COUNCIL OF ORGANIZATIONS] SCRCO FUNDS

Simon: I was at the SCRCO mtg. and they agreed to a second account titled the same way with their own checkbook to avoid any potential errors. **Stanbery**: But it will still have to come out of the SCD Wedbush Account. They have already signed our new signature card and now they'll get a separate account. **Simon**: We will get them a separate card. **Stanbery**: okay, we'll void the signature card on the account and get them a new card and keep them tied into the SCD as an account with parentheses (#2). **Stanbery**: on page-1 the proposed budget is \$3, 113 that is earmarked for the Regional Council (SCRCO). **Boynton**: Having signatory authority of SCRCO

(Regional Council) or SCD (Division) funds is a concern of potential abuse. So, if they want their own account—Ok!.

GLOBAL HEALTH: *Soderberg*: So I have the \$2,000. Boynton: In Wedbush is the money for the Global Health forum—the \$2,000 per year. Simon: \$3, 113 is earmarked for SCRCO.

PRESIDENTS REPORT:

Boynton: We are utilizing technology in an excellent way: Facebook, e-mail. Please link it and promote it. The website has been reformatted with a new calendar of events across So. Cal. To know what's going on across So. Cal. Our next big event is the global health forum. Shirley Williams is a gift to our Division as webmaster and has brought life to the San Fernando valley Chapter webpage last week and is working on Harbor/Long Beach, Inland empire. Thank you Barry (Simon) on resource development and on his plan to get CEO Elmendorf to come and speak at the next West Coast Global Forum. \$/# is next Div. Gen. Mtg., at Fullerton, Old Spaghetti Factory. Ardi will hold a Haiti Relief Mtg.

VP RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT

Simon: WEST COAST GLOBAL FORUM COMMITTEE: includes Abraham Carons, Juliet Flores, David Tuckman, et. al. It will be a luncheon event at location like the California Endowment.

VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR: I think Shirley Williams would be a great choice for Volunteer of the Year. But, we'll have to ask her first.

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BOARD MEMBER ASSESSMENT FEES: I propose a letter to all members of Southern California chapters from the Division. Pasadena Chapter brings in \$6,000/year by it's board members who are assessed \$200/year to serve on the board.. I'd recommend a \$100 assessment voluntary by each board member. And with a 20-person board we would receive \$2,000.

Boynton: I salute Barry on his ideas to raise money for our division and Chapters.

GLOBAL HEALTH

Soderberg: Thanks the Global health committee for all their efforts: Diane Gonzales, Barry Simon, Ardi Rashidi-Kalhur, etc., etc., and Shirley Williams for a fantastic logo. CME credit will go to RNs, and physicians pending and we asked governor Arnold Swarzenegger to speak. He did speak to UNA-USA in New york on Global Warming efforts in California.

VP MEMBERSHIP—No Report.

YPIC: Young Professionals for International Cooperation)

Tuckman: SPECIAL YPIC NATL. ELECTION With Jillian Harrington stepping down as a YPIC Executive Committee Member on the YPIC National Leadership Council we held a national election with YPIC Chairs across the country voting electronically. The candidates must have at least 2-years experience volunteering in a leadership position with a local YPIC, be between age 21 and 40 and must not come from the same CCD region as our 2 EC members Hector Javier (South Atlantic) and Natasha Ghent-Rodriguez (Mid-East). The vacancy on the EC shall be filled for the balance of that term by the nominee receiving a majority vote of the entire leadership council. The **Responsibilities of UNA-USA Council of Chapters and Divisions Steering Committee Representatives** Expected to attend two meetings each year of the CCD Steering Committee. One meeting is held each year in concert with the CCD Annual Meeting. Serves as a member of CCD and acts as a liaison and

facilitator between CCD Steering Committee and YPIC. As National Elections Chair for the YPIC special Election I selected/formed a national elections committee. The voting has recently been completed and the winning candidate is Dan Sullivan.

THE NEW YPIC NATL. LC EXEC. MBR. & Rep. to the CCD: **Tuckman**: .Let me tell you briefly about Dan Sullivan:

nomination, bio, and statement of purpose for YPIC National Board nominee Daniel S. Sullivan.

NOMINATED BY: YPIC-Boston-UNA-GB: Lisa Unangst, Austin Watroba, Nate Tassinari, Alessandra Cappellino

BIOGRAPHY:

Dan Sullivan has served as the Chairman of the YPIC board for UNA-GB since May, 2008. Previously he was Vice-Chair and had served on the YPIC Board since 2004. Professionally, Dan serves as Chief of Staff to the Dean of the Massachusetts House of Representatives, while pursuing a Master's in Religion at Harvard University's Extension School. Dan has been a Delegate to the Youth General Assembly at the United Nations and a SustainUS Agent of Change Delegate to the UN Commission on Social Development. He has taught in the after-school program Citizen Schools, and is an Ordained Minister. He has completed the Leadership for Change program at Boston College's Carroll School of Management, a Certificate in Health and Human Rights from Harvard University School of Public Health, an Executive Certificate in Nonprofit Management from Georgetown University, a Bachelor's degree in Government from Harvard University, a Certificate in Conflict Analysis from the US Institute of Peace, study with UNITAR, and studied International Relations at Lynn University.

In 2004, Dan was selected as one of 40 top state government officials by the Council of State Governments as a Henry Toll Fellow. In 2005, he was selected as a Fellow to the inaugural Eastern Leadership Academy by the Council of State Governments. Dan served as Chairman of Democratic Leadership for the 21st Century in 2005 and was selected as a Global Health Scholar by the American Medical Student Association in 2006. He was an inaugural Boston Cares Civic Leadership Fellow in 2006 and is a Senior Fellow of the Environmental Leadership Program. Dan was a Clinton Volunteer at the inaugural Clinton Global Initiative in 2005 and has returned to work for President Clinton at the 2006-2009 Clinton Global Initiative. In 2008, Dan was an inaugural Clinton Global Initiative-University attendee and has been selected as a Clinton Global Initiative-University Campus Representative for 2010. He is a graduate of the FBI Citizen's Academy and has been a Starting Bloc Fellow at the Institute for Social Innovation. Dan is a Fellow of the New Leaders Council. Dan became the Executive Assistant of the Massachusetts Legislator's Association, the only non-legislator to ever serve on the Executive Board. Dan was chosen to attend Americans for Informed Democracy's At A Crossroads: Diplomacy and Iran Scholar program in Washington, D.C. In 2009, Dan became a Regional Ambassador for the Intercollegiate Studies Institute. He was a Finalist for the Outstanding Young Americans Award of the U.S. Chamber of Commerce and a finalist for the Ariane De Rothschild Fellowship. Dan has been a past nominee of the Global Young Advocate Award. Dan became a United Religions Initiative Youth Ambassador in 2010.

Statement of Purpose:

It is my ambition to serve with the honorable Hector Javier and Natasha Ghent-Rodriguez to serve the members of our national YPIC community with leadership, vision, and thoughtful appreciation for the ideas and aspirations of all members. YPIC is the flagship of the UNA-USA community. It is our role and our responsibility to harness the vigorous passion we bring to our work with our respective YPIC's and UNA chapters and expand that vigor and that passion to a growing segment of young professionals who seek an avenue to impart their energies and desire to better the future of their community, their region, their state, their nation, and their world. Our challenges are great, to be certain, from fundraising to recruitment to YPIC-chapter relations and event organizing. Yet, at no time in the history of UNA-USA has YPIC been more necessary and more significant to its future. We together must rise to the challenge and lead. Therefore, I commit myself to this great endeavor because I believe in the power, influence and

necessity of the United Nations and our personal obligation to do our part in our communities to inform the public, inspire the young, and educate the many who long for a deeper connection to their global community. Along with Natasha and Hector and every YPIC National Leadership Council and Steering Committee member's support, I will represent the interests and ideas and ambitions which YPIC presents to the national level. I foresee a 2010-2011 of YPIC where we grow each group's membership ranks by 25%; Where we expand YPIC groups to new chapters across the nation; Where we develop a new fundraising mechanism to ensure YPIC's stability and an opportunity for greater participation in national events; where we have more interaction with fellow YPIC chapters and engage in shared events and movements across the nation. I seek a future for us where we create lasting connections with WFUNA youth members across the globe, such as working to expand the program that Natasha and others developed in Argentina. I vow to be available to you at all times, responsive to calls, emails, and letters. I will be open to all new ideas, suggestions, comments, criticisms, and challenges to make YPIC the best it can be. We are a phenomenal group and we can only be better, stronger, and more impactful on the future. I adore YPIC and the many extraordinary young people who dedicate themselves to its great mission. I will represent you with my very best efforts and with my dedication to the hopes and dreams we all share for YPIC.

I applaud you all for your continued hard work and selfless commitment. I thank you for your thoughtful consideration of my nomination to serve you.

Respectfully yours,

Daniel S. Sullivan, Chair, YPIC-Boston

REGIONAL YPIC SERVICE DAY: *Tuckman:* The Southern California YPIC Service Day Will be Sat. April 17th at Children's Hunger Fund HQ in Pacoima, CA. From 9am-11pm we will be preparing hygiene kits and emergency food paks to be sent to Haiti and Chile to aid the survivors of two devastating natural disasters. Following the service project will be a YPIC So. Calif. Luncheon and awards ceremony to recognize to YPIC members in the Division/Regional area.

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS: UN SECRETARY GENERAL'S VISIT:

Simon: On Monday UN Secretary Gweneral Ban Ki-moon will speak in Los Angeles at the UCLA Arm & Hammer Museum. Barry Simon will be a division Representative to the event and YPIC member Abraham Carons. And ,also, Heather Ross. Additional speakers include the directors of the World Health Organization (WHO), among other prominent international leaders.

NEW BUSINESS:

Regional YPIC Event: Children's Hunger Fund Service Project to make food/hygiene kits for impoverished families in Haiti and Chile, possibly, also, for Africa, Asia, Europe and North America at CHF Headquarters in Pacoima on 4/17/10 9am-11am with group lunch a local restaurant following project. Details to be sent to chapter presidents/YPIC chairs shortly.

Boynton: The way the Division can help chapters is that we can help you organize/plan major conferences.

Tuckman: for the global Health conference I'll do PR to the Chambers of commerce in the San Fernando Valley, neighboring valleys and Los Angeles with media alerts. I have an updates media lsut from the News Directors.

Boynton: The Council of Chapters & Divisions (CCD) ANNUAL MEETING is Sat. June 6-8 at Carnegie Endowment in Washington, D.C. . The Mob. Keynote is from the UN Foundation, U.S. State Department---Susan rice (US ambassador to the UN), a Human rights Agenda, Lobbying Congress and a National Board Mtg.,. Online registration is NOW. Early bird rate is by 5/6/10 for the full conference at \$240 for 3 days. YPIC is \$150. Includes some continental breakfast and lunches and awards reception. Rashidi-Kalhur: 113 chapters represented and 122 Divisions.

Boynton: YPIC will get a discount rate for the annual mtg. We have space for 160 people for registration and 50 Convention Hotel rooms and we expect 130 people.

Meeting Adjourned: 2:00 PM:

MEETING MINUTES BY: David Tuckman, Division Secretary

NEXT MTG: General UNA-USA SoCal Division Board Meeting - Old Spaghetti Factory, 110 East Santa Fe Ave, Fullerton - All members and guests are welcome. Food/beverage is a la carte.

—THANK YOU NALL FOR YOUR SERVICE—