**May 8, 2025,** **Humboldt-ERFSA Executive Committee Meeting Notes**

**Present:** Marshelle Thobaben, President & Cal Poly Humboldt University Senate Representative; Jeffry Borgeld, Membership Chair; Lou Ann Wieand, Treasurer; Susan Dobie, Program Chair and Kumi Watanabe-Schock, Communications Chair

**President Report (Marshelle)**

**Fundraiser:**

2019: Total: $10,675.00

28 contributors

2022: Total: $8,310.00

24 contributors

8 former donors known to have passed away

2025: Total: $10,413.56 as of March 2025

23 contributors

We also discussed adding donors’ names to the [ERFSA website](https://www.humboldt.edu/emeritus-and-retired-faculty)

**Emeritus Status Reception: Septentrio Winerym Arcata, April 20, 2025**

37 people attended, including Administrators, Emeritus Status recipients, and Small Grant recipients and their family

Drinks: $ 746.17 (Foundation)

Food: $ 528.83 (including additional snacks)

Total: $1,275.00

\*Septentrio Winery waived their $300 room fee

**University Senate Reception, 5pm, May 13, 2025, in Great Hall**

The purpose of this reception is to honor the University Senators (current, outgoing, incoming). In addition, the 2024-2025 Distinguished Faculty Awardees will be recognized, and the ERFSA will present the ERFSA small grant awards to this year’s recipients.

**Program Chair Report (Susan)**

Reminder to introducers to be sure thank you letters have been completed.

POTENTIAL FALL SPEAKERS 2025

* **Justin Luong:** AssistantProfessor, Forestry, Fire and Rangeland Management (2024 Grant Recipient). *Project: Assessing solar panel grip impacts on coastal prairies to guide regenerative agrivoltaics.*
* **Tani Sebro:** Assistant Professor, Politics and International Studies (2023 Grant Recipient) *Project: Scholars and Activists at risk in Burma Studies.*
* **Morgan Barker:** Sustainability Librarian, University Library (2023 Grant Recipient). *Project: Sustainable Libraries Initiative Certification for Cal Poly Humboldt.*
* **Amy K. Conley:** Lecturer, Education (2022 Grant Recipient).
* *Project: Translanguaging in K-12 Public Schools.*

Marshelle:

* **Kate Lancaster**, Professor Emerita, returned as Lecturer, School of Business, Accounting & Sustainability (707) 826-5136 kathryn.lancaster@humboldt.edu

Jeffry:

* **Brandon Browne**, Geology Dept chair about a possible presentation about impending eruptions. He is potentially willing next spring - on sabbatical this fall.

Kumi:

* **Amy Uyeki**, Humboldt Asians & Pacific Islanders in Solidarity ([HAPI](https://www.hapihumboldt.org/))/Eureka Chinatown Project [(ECP](https://www.hapihumboldt.org/eureka-chinatown-project)) akuyeki@gmail.com

Fall 25 speaker lineup will be finalized by July 18, 2025

**Membership Chair** **Report(Jeff)**

53 members for 2024-25

**Treasurer Report (Lou Ann)**

The Cal Poly Humboldt Erfsa account is: TV012-HSU\_ERFA\_Fund.May 8, 2025, **$5,503.25**

Total does not include Baywood Golf and Country Club expenses from April & May.

HAF & WRCF March 2025: **$63,454.50**. It does not include the reduction from 2025 grants.

The room fee at Baywood Golf & Country Club will go up from $150/event to $250 or $300.

We discussed raising the ERFSA dues to $35/semester. Bylaws confirmed that the dues shall be approved by majority vote. Jeff will write a statement and send it to the membership for approval.

**Communications Chair Report (Kumi)**

ERFSA small grant recipient and May lecture Press Releases appeared in campus & local media.

Sarah Lasley’s 2-minute promotional video will be produced by Michel Sargent, Center for Teaching & Learning in late May and uploaded to Panopto for easy sharing.

Julie Stewart, Interim OLLI Program Coordinator, is our new contact person for OLLI.

**Date of Next Meeting: July 11, 2025**

Marshelle will be on vacation in June. Jeff will fill in as chair, Lou Ann as his backup.

Lou Ann will be on vacation in July.

**Respectfully submitted:** Kumi Watanabe-Schock, Emerita Public Programming & Library Media Coordinator, Communications Chair