

June 18, 2026, Humboldt-ERFSA Executive Meeting Notes

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

President Report (Marshelle)

Continuing Discussion--Debriefing: April 22nd Emeritus Status & Grant Recipients Reception at the Septentrio Winery—decision: to continue having the ES Reception

- Attendance: 50
ES 5/21 attended; Grant Recipients: 8/9; Administration: President/4 administrators; No one from OAA attended--the Senate is the one who grants the ES
Total ERFSA/Guest attendees?
- Press releases for Grant Recipients—Kumi
- Cost:
ERFSA Carcuterie/Cookies: \$43.24 + \$617.40 = **\$660.64**
Foundation: \$1024.00
Total: \$1,684.24
- Humboldt Trinity Recreation Alliance: thank you letter sent to CSU-ERFSA—change the website? /ERFSA need an address?

Continuing Discussion--Debriefing: May 12th University Senate Celebration—decision—continue participating in the reception.

- Attendance Exc Com Members: 3/5; Grant Recipients: 5/9
- Program: Scripted Lou Ann & Kumi volunteered to assist Marshelle next AY.

Continuing Discussion--Debriefing Grant Program:

- Change the date to March? —would also need to change the Grant deadline. This AY--ES Nominees on the University Senate Consent Calendar for approval on *March 3rd* Need to coordinate with the University calendar
- Review the flyer, letters, etc. for 2026—who?

Fundraiser: Next year

Thank you's to Rees/Amy, Lou Ann & Tom Clark for their grant donations this AY

- When? Beginning of fall semester. How? Message to ERFSA listserv. Need to incorporate Grant videos and list of grant recipients
- Always present on the website? Library example from Kumi:
<https://www.humboldt.edu/library/giving>.

Baywood Golf and Country Club—5/14/26 Marshelle spoke with Josh Martinez confirming ERFSA would continue their informal contact with Baywood.

5/28/26 Marshelle sent Josh the dates for next AY

6/8/26: Zoom Meeting with Nate Cacciari-Roy, MBA, Budget Analyst, [Office of Academic Affairs](#) regarding spreadsheet for ERFSA Invoices and Payments: Marshelle, Jeff & Lou Ann

ES IDs—recommendation needed: Faculty Emeritus & Staff Emeritus recommended to the Library.

6/19 email to Tim Miller from Kumi:

We looked at the terms OAA uses in their notification of Emeritus Status and they use the term "Emeritus" with this note, "In accordance with section 540 of CPH's Faculty Handbook, faculty and staff emeriti may place the Latin designation emeritus or emerita following the title of their highest academic or administrative position on official correspondence." We felt that the changing to "emerit" or "emeriti" may have to be approved by the University Senate, and we didn't want that hassle. Also, since the word "emeritus" is an adjective and not a noun, the correct use would be Staff Emeritus or Faculty Emeritus, rather than Emeritus Staff or Emeritus Faculty.

Thank you so much for bringing this to our attention, Tim. We really appreciate it and thank you as always for issuing those I.D. cards so promptly! We understand that the Library can't guarantee if they can go with this change and if that's the case, it's okay.

Timothy W. Miller, Library Faculty Co-chair (Access Services), [Digital Media & Learning Librarian](#) We print out the faculty IDs in the library and up until now we have printed "Emeritus Faculty," "Emeritus Staff," and "Emeritus President" on our IDs. But recently someone came to get their card and pointed out that emeritus is the masculine form of the word. This prompted the question for us if we should be more gender-specific with these. But it is most likely best to use the same term for all faculty (and likewise for staff and presidents) so that the ID system isn't filled with inconsistencies.

So if we want to go with one term, is there a better option than "Emeritus Staff"? For context, we use "Alumni" for the alumni cards because this is referring to the group that the individual is part of -- not to them as an individual. So if we follow that example, we could use "Emeriti Faculty." But I know that ERFSA uses "Emeritus" for the group, so perhaps that would be more consistent and we don't need to change anything (stick with "Emeritus Faculty")? Do you have thoughts or do you want to bring it to the rest of the executive committee? For the most part, we don't have a preference, but we want it to be consistent and the same for all faculty, the same for all staff, etc.

Emeritus Status Nomination Issues: Kumi handing them

Program Chair (Susan)

- Running list of potential speakers/outings...Categories to consider: Grant recipient/community—walk adventure/ university?

<https://docs.google.com/document/d/1NTJIADmB3kuhyEVZNt26EoBqmUru6egxmrpbwLmnj4/edit?tab=t.0>

Dates for ERFSA Luncheons 2026-27 AY: 9/10; 10/8; 11/12; 12/10; 2/11; 3/11; 4/8; 5/13

- **Potential Speakers** for Susan to contact for Fall AY—potential speakers discussed and Susan will contact them to work out a AY schedule.

Membership (Jeff)

sum=66 2semesters=46

\$4,310 is the total revenue collected during fiscal year 25-26

Treasurer (Lou Ann) Changed?

5/15/26 Marshelle sent HAF to change the name of the account to

Name	HSU Emeritus and Retired Faculty Association
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New Association name: Humboldt-Emeritus, Retired Faculty and Staff Association

From : [Lindsey Zito](#), Donor Relations Manager, Humboldt Area Foundation & Wild Rivers Community Foundation

Thank you for your patience as I researched this issue. It turns out that link is an old link to the original listing. The updated link to share is hafoundation.org/HumboldtERFSA. This is where you will see the

correct fund name. We discussed deleting the old page, but we worried about folks who have that old link not being able to find the correctly updated page. We are currently working on our end to add a redirection link for folks who end up using that link you provided.

I will let you know as soon as that is done.

If you have any other questions, I'm happy to help.

Cal Poly State University Humboldt Financial Services Account: TV012 Account

\$5,220.74 started the fiscal year at as of 7/1/25

\$6,626.72 balance for the fiscal year at as of 7/1/26 if no other expenses other than those already encumbered.

\$1,939.48 are the total expenses that have so far been posted (since 7/1/25)

\$964.54 in outstanding encumbrances = \$2904.03

Expenses for 7 Luncheon Meetings

Room rental: \$1,750

Lunches: \$536.62

Total: \$2,286.62 (7 Luncheons)

Emeritus Status Reception

ERFSA Charcuterie/Cookies: \$43.24 + \$617.40 = \$660.64

Foundation: \$1,024.00—see below

Total: \$1,684.24

From Humboldt-ERFSA Website—Marshelle

Planning for 2026-2027 AY

\$4,310 total revenue collected during fiscal year 25-26

\$3,566.18 total expenses during fiscal year 25-26 (\$2,904.54 [7 luncheons] and \$660.64 ES Reception)

Humboldt Area Foundation Endowment Account: HAFWRCF Account

2025 \$63,366.19 (Fundraiser 2024-2025 AY)

2025: Small Grants?

2026 \$ \$63,327.48 (April 30th) ---will change

2026 \$870 contributions (no formal fundraiser)

2026 Small Grants: \$8,423

Communications Chair (Kumi)

OLLI deadline for ERFSA program

Jun 10, 2026: To Kumi from Mairead Sardina, Interim OLLI Program Coordinator, *Osher Lifelong Learning Institute | Cal Poly Humboldt*

Yes, we did restructure our membership fee this year for the first time in 17 years, and unfortunately with that the decision was made to no longer offer staff/ faculty discounts. The goal of that decision was to ensure that OLLI as a community program is not showing preferential treatment to academics or "othering" those members who do not have a connection to campus.

Due to printing costs, we are redesigning our catalog so that it includes less pages & I am not yet sure how long the Fall catalog will be. If we can find a way to fit it in, then I would love to continue promoting ERFSA lectures in the catalog, and I will make sure to keep that in mind as we begin looking at layouts. Of course, we will continue to promote your lectures in our newsletter & are more than happy to hang a flier on our office notices board. I would love to come present in the Fall & if you feel it would be of benefit, I am sure we could make space for you to come table for ERFSA at our Fall Open House. Thank you for reaching out to make this connection.

Kumi will continue the conversation with Mairead regarding publicity collaborations

Next Meeting: July 16, 2026