



MINUTES
REAO Board of Directors' Meeting
OCERS Hearing Room
2223 Wellington Avenue, Santa Ana
Wednesday, September 9, 2015
9:30 AM

I. Called to Order at 9:37 AM by REAO Co-President, Doug Storm

Present: Linda Robinson (via conference call), Doug Storm, Bill Castro, Rebecca Guider, Jan Grimes, John Iagjian and Larry Leaman. Also in attendance are Stephen Pettee, Lou Scarpino, Robin Mattocks and Ilene Bárcenas, Office Manager. There is a quorum.

Absent: Sara Ruckle Harms, Gaylan Harris, Tom Beckett

II. Approval of Minutes of August 2015 Regular Board meeting

A motion was made by John Iagjian and seconded by Rebecca Guider to approve the August 14, 2015 Board Meeting minutes as written. Motion carried.

III. Treasurer's Report for August

Bill Castro presented the monthly operating report for August 2015. A transfer was made from the checking into the money market account in the amount of \$25 K.

Motion made by Rebecca Guider and seconded by John Iagjian to approve the Monthly Operating Report for August 2015. Motion carried.

IV. Website Update

Ilene Bárcenas reported that the CRCEA page has been added but waiting to see if they will use it for the Reed Initiative. Also CRCEA hired Lori Vandemeir to create and support their new website.

V. Meeting Reports

A. OCERS

In advance of the meeting, Sara Ruckle Harms sent out her summary of the August 2015 OCERS Board meeting. Doug Storm shared the highlights of the report.

B. CRCEA

The conference is October 19-21 in Stockton, CA. Lou Scarpino, Ilene Bárcenas, Linda Robinson, Gaylan Harris and perhaps Sara Ruckle Harms are planning on attending the conference.

Motion made by Doug Storm and seconded by Larry Leaman to approve sending up to five AREOC/REAOC Board members and the Office Manager to the conference in Stockton. These costs include airfare, hotel and the conference registration/meal costs. Motion carried.

Lou Scarpino reported that they are working on the Reed Initiative and it has become very busy and active. Larry Leaman has also been involved in this process. No solid strategy from CRCEA at this time. They are talking about handout cards. Struggled a bit and then decided to use different cards for two different audiences - the general public and current retirees / public workers. Some legal analysis is still needed regarding the initiative. The initial process for REAOC was to be a card that would be sent out to OC retirees as created by Larry Leaman. Doug Storm would like to utilize Larry Leaman's wording along with some of the CRCEA message but create an end product that is very simple and easily understood by retirees so that they are clear that they should not sign any initiative. Mike DeBord also shared a draft of the action items related to the initiative that was shared with the REAOC Board. Virginia Adams, Editor of the CRCEA newsletter, is backing some of the assignments of Dorothy Lueking.

Motion made by Larry Leaman and seconded by Rebecca Guider to give Doug Storm the authority to create and distribute the cards to Orange County retirees. Motion carried.

VI. Committee Reports

A. Membership

John Iagjian reported that he is still getting 25/30 attendees at each seminar. He will miss one meeting due to his vacation but Robert Kinsler volunteered to share the REAOC information at that meeting.

B. Board Watch

Linda Robinson reported that there is not too much going on that relates to retirees. Helen Lotos will monitor the September 22, 2015 Board meeting. Terri Bruner is being looked at to fill the HR director position and Auditor Control Eric H Woolery, CPA, is assuming the Internal Audit Director function.

C. Legislation

In advance of the meeting, Lou Scarpino shared a matrix of the pending legislation that he is monitoring. SB 128, the right to life bill, is still moving through the legislative

process. Lou Scarpino summarized the legislative report. Lou Scarpino will brief us on SB 222 at the next meeting.

D. Proposed reform petition plan

This subject was discussed in the CRCEA report. Larry Leaman would like to clarify that the RSC committee has forwarded a recommendation to Skip Murphy regarding the Reed Initiative.

VII. Luncheon

Ilene Bárcenas reported that Dr. Mark Petracca is scheduled to be our speaker at the September luncheon. It might be a good idea to video/or audio tape the speaker if we can find someone to do this. Carol Kirkwood will introduce Dr. Petracca as the speaker. Dr. Petracca will provide handouts for the presentation.

VIII. The Informer

The next edition will be the December Informer; due dates for articles to be sent to Robin Mattocks are October 7, 2015. She will be preparing deadlines for 2016. There will be an article from the City of Irvine volunteerism, a light-hearted short story from Linda Robinson, information on the Reed Initiative, an article from Lou Scarpino regarding a topic from the last conference and a reminder about the Open Enrollment for the supplemental benefits.

IX. Presidents' Message

A. Litigation Update

Michael Brown called about three weeks ago and asked if we wanted to write a letter to the Court to seek the status of the class action appeal. He wrote a letter to the Court but they still have not responded.

B. OCEA Health Fair

The Health Fair is scheduled for September 22, 2015. Representing REAOC will be Doug Storm, Robin Mattocks, Rebecca Guider, and John Iagjian. We will be handing out See's suckers.

C. Health Insurance Issues/Open Enrollment Workshop at Mile Square

The workshop will be held on November 4, 2015 at Mile Square Park. There will be two sessions of approximately two hours each; one for pre-65 (in the morning) and one for post-65 (afternoon). Susan Zajfen, RN, from HICAP is willing to attend the informational meetings again this year and provide Medicare information as she did in 2014. She will also bring handouts regarding the Council on Aging. There will be vendors on the sides of the room. Stephen Pettee also volunteered to help provide information to our pre-65 retirees

regarding the exchanges. Doug Storm stated that they will be having a meeting with the County to clarify what will be presented. Rebecca Guider, Sara Ruckle Harms, Doug Storm, and Linda Robinson will attend this meeting. The tentative date of the meeting will be sometime between November 1 and 3rd.

Action Items: Ilene Bárcenas will add information about the meetings on the website as well as send out an e-mail to our members. Stephen Pettee will also send out a reminder flyer to retirees regarding the meetings.

Doug Storm will contact Tracy Vonada at Employee Benefits to schedule the follow-up meeting prior to the Open Enrollment workshops. He will also purchase five cases of the small bottles of water for the workshops.

Motion made by Larry Leaman and seconded by John Iagjian to allow Doug Storm to purchase five cases of the bottled water at a maximum of \$50 for the meeting. Motion carried.

D. Other

Jan Grimes provided information about the different types of Facebook accounts that are available. There would be a workload to post and maintain the Facebook. We will need to determine if we want to accept comments and if the comments would go to an administrator who would determine the appropriateness of the post. Rebecca Guider made a suggestion to determine if we could link a Facebook account to our web page rather than have the workload of keeping up two informational mediums.

Motion made by Doug Storm and seconded by Rebecca Guider to have Jan Grimes create a test Facebook account to see how Facebook would work. Motion carried.

Stephen Pettee attended the meeting and distributed a sample of the Benefits Enrollment Kit that was sent for 2015 but will be updated for 2016. It will be sent out to all retirees by the 15th of October. We will need to have the flyer that will be inserted ASAP so that they may be sent to the printer.

Action Item: Ilene Bárcenas will follow-up with Stephen Pettee regarding the insurance policies and invoices for next year as well as a roster with the latest Board members.

X. Adjournment

A motion was made by Larry Leaman, seconded by John Iagjian to adjourn the meeting at 11:46 AM. Motion carried.