



MINUTES
REAO Board of Directors' Meeting
OCERS Hearing Room
2223 Wellington Avenue, Santa Ana
Wednesday, April 15, 2015
9:30 AM

I. Called to Order at 9:40 AM by REAO Co-President, Doug Storm

Present: Doug Storm, Linda Robinson, Bill Castro, Gaylan Harris, Jan Grimes, Larry Leaman, John Iagjian and Rebecca Guider. Also in attendance are Jan Stephenson, Lou Scarpino, and Helen Lotos and Ilene Bárcenas, Office Manager. There is a quorum.

Absent: Sara Ruckle Harms, Tom Beckett, Bob Griffith

II. Approval of Minutes

A. REAO March 11, 2015 regular Board meeting

A motion was made by Larry Leaman and seconded by Linda Robinson to approve the March 11, 2015 Board Meeting minutes as written. Motion carried.

B. Executive Session March 11, 2015

A motion was made by Linda Robinson; seconded by Bill Castro to approve the minutes from the March 11, 2015 Executive Session as written. Motion carried.

III. Treasurer's Reports

A. Approve monthly operating report for March.

Motion made by Rebecca Guider and seconded by Linda Robinson to approve the Monthly Operating Report for March 2015. Motion passed unanimously.

B. Approve quarterly budget report for the QE 3/31/2015.

Motion made by Linda Robinson and seconded by Rebecca Guider to approve the Quarterly Budget Report for the quarter ending March 31, 2015. Motion passed unanimously.

C. Approve federal (Form 990) and state (Form 199) tax forms for 2014.

Motion made by Linda Robinson and seconded by Rebecca Guider to receive and file the Federal Form 990 and State Form 199 tax forms for 2014. Motion passed unanimously.

D. Approve audited financial statements for 2014.

Motion made by Jan Grimes and seconded by Larry Leaman to receive and file the Audited Financial Statements for 2014. Motion passed unanimously.

IV. Website Update

Ilene Bárcenas reported that the website is still up and running. The e-mails from our members through the website are working well and being used. Larry Leaman suggested that we check e-mails to make sure we have the e-mail address of the inquirer.

V. Meeting Reports

A. OCERS

Sara Ruckle Harms nor Larry Leaman attended the regular meeting. Tom Beckett is attending the Plan Sponsors' meeting today. Gaylan Harris expressed concern about the returns received by OCERS. In comparison to other entities, it seems we are not achieving a higher return. Discussion regarding this issued ensued and it was determined that it would be good to have Steve Delaney attend a REAOC Board meeting to explain the investments and the return we are receiving.

Action Item: Gaylan Harris will put his questions in writing to give to Steve Delaney. Doug Storm will also ask Steve Delaney to attend our next Board meeting to address those questions.

B. CRCEA

The conference will begin on October 22, 2015. Good results with ProtectSeniors.org as a coordination partner with CRCEA. They are a national lobbying group out of DC; they represent public and private groups. CRCEA is not yet a member. CRCEA needs to consider a paid representative to do many of the coordination tasks. This will be discussed at the conference. Mike DeBord wrote an article that will be in the Informer.

VI. Committee Reports

A. Membership

John Iagjian reported that 27 people attended the pre-retirement seminar today. Despite the higher numbers of retirees who have passed away, our membership numbers have increased.

B. Board Watch

Only two items in the last four BOS meetings that had an impact on retirees. They were:

O.C. Community Resources – approve State agreement with California Department of Aging for Medicare improvement for Patients and Providers Act services; and

O.C. Community Resources – Approve agreement with Abrazar Inc. for senior non-emergency medical transportation services in Area 1, North County.

C. Legislation

In advance of the meeting, Lou Scarpino sent out the legislative matrix. End of Life Option Act is being taken very seriously and there has been a lot of discussion on this bill. Federal legislation, SB 2418 from last year, may pop up again; this bill allowed for organizations in bankruptcy would be allowed to adjust medical benefits.

VII. Luncheon

Still no entertainment for the May luncheon. In September, Mark Petracca will speak at that luncheon. He will talk about the political scene in Orange County. We will also honor our veterans at this luncheon.

Action Item: Ilene Bárcenas will obtain entertainment for the luncheon in May. She will also contact the Harbor Singers for the December luncheon. Doug Storm will purchase the flowers the will be distributed to honor the Veterans.

VIII. The Informer

The layout has been done for the next Informer. Helen Lotos will introduce Robin Mattocks at the next luncheon and Robin Mattocks will be responsible for the upcoming issues.

IX. Presidents' Message

A. Litigation Update

There has been no change regarding the pending class action lawsuit. There is no time limit on the Courts providing a response to the appeal.

B. Other

Doug Storm and Linda Robinson went to the Hemet luncheon on April 14, 2015. There were 13 new luncheons attendees due to the solicitation for new members for that event. There were about 30 total attendees at the luncheon meeting. Linda Robinson has been contributing \$40 each luncheon to the church that hosts the meeting. Doug Storm stated that it would be good to have a policy for REAOC to pay the host for each of these luncheons. Bill Castro could make a check payable to the church.

Larry Leaman moved that we give \$40 each time a luncheon is held at the 1st Presbyterian Church for sponsoring the luncheons; seconded by Rebecca Guider. Motion carried.

X. Adjournment

A motion was made by Linda Robinson, seconded by Larry Leaman to adjourn the meeting at 11:26 AM. Motion carried.