



Association of Retired Employees of Orange County
A California Nonprofit Public Benefit Corporation
Meetings Held at OCERS, 2223 Wellington Avenue, Santa Ana CA

Annual Board Meeting
Wednesday, January 9, 2013

I. The Annual AREOC Board meeting was called to order at 11:25 AM by the President, Sara Ruckle Harms

Present: Sara Ruckle Harms, Larry Leaman, Doug Storm, Linda Robinson, Lou Scarpino, Gaylan Harris, Bob Griffith, John LaRoche, and Jan Stephenson. Also present was Bill Castro, Faye Watanabe, John Iagjian and Ilene Bárcenas, Office Manager. There is a quorum.

Absent: None

II. Approval of Minutes November 14, 2012 and December 5, 2012

A motion was made by Larry Leaman and seconded by John LaRoche to approve the minutes of the November 14, 2012 as amended. Motion carried.

A motion made by Larry Leaman and seconded by Lou Scarpino to approve the December 5, 2012 AREOC Board Meetings as written. Motion carried.

III. Election of Officers – President, Secretary, Treasurer-Chief Financial Officer

Motion made by Larry Leaman to have the current AREOC officers continue in the roles of President, Secretary and Treasurer for 2013; motion seconded by Bob Griffith. Motion carried.

Larry Leaman made a motion to close nominations for all officers, motion seconded by Gaylan Harris. Motion carried.

For 2013, Sara Ruckle Harms will continue as the President of AREOC, Lou Scarpino will continue as the Secretary of AREOC, and Jan Stephenson will continue as the Treasurer of AREOC.

IV. Treasurer's Reports

Sara Ruckle Harms and Jan Stephenson presented the Treasurer's Reports for November and December 2012.

A motion was made by Doug Storm and seconded by Larry Leaman to accept the November 2012 Treasurer's Report. Motion carried.

A motion was made by John LaRoche and seconded by Linda Robinson to accept the December 2012 Treasurer's Report. Motion carried.

Sara Ruckle Harms explained the need for Jan Stephenson to make regular monthly payments to Rosen Bien Galvan (RBG). A December and January payment will need to be made. Note: the legal firm is now named Rosen Bien Galvan & Grunfeld LLP (RBGG).

Action Item: Sara Ruckle Harms will contact Nicole Macias to determine the outstanding balance to RBG and work with Jan Stephenson to make the current payments due.

V. Proposed 2013 Budget Discussion

Sara Ruckle Harms led a discussion regarding the proposed budget for 2013. The 2012 actual expenditures have not been updated and will need to be before a final resolution regarding the 2013 budget is made. Gaylan Harris also made a suggestion to have separate line items for the different attorneys.

Motion made by John LaRoche and seconded by Linda Robinson to move and file the Proposed 2013 Budget until the February 2013 meeting. Motion carried.

Action Item: Sara Ruckle Harms and Jan Stephenson will meet with Nicole Macias to update the 2012 expenditures. They will also update the budget line items to shown monies paid to different attorneys.

There will be a State of the County luncheon held by the Cypress Area Chamber of Commerce on February 7, 2013. John Moorlach will be the keynote speaker. It may be important that one of the AREOC Board members attend this meeting. The cost is \$30 and the event will be held in Seal Beach at the Country Club.

Motion made by Linda Robinson and seconded by Lou Scarpino to authorize Larry Leaman to attend the Cypress Area Chamber of Commerce meeting in Seal Beach as a representative of AREOC. Motion carried.

There will be a Health Care Forecast Conference at UCI in February at a cost of \$550. AREOC/REAOC Board members attended this conference the last two years. There was a discussion regarding the value of this conference. After the discussion and it was determined that this conference is of value, Sara Ruckle Harms agreed that she would be willing to attend.

Larry Leaman moved that we authorize Sara Ruckle Harms to attend the Health Care Forecast Conference at UCI at the expense of REAOC subject to REAOC's approval; motion seconded by John LaRoche. Motion carried.

There will be the Roundtable Conference at LAX on March 11, 2013; more information to follow.

VI. Review of Assignments

A. STAR COLA representation with the BOS

Bob Griffith stated that he would be willing to continue as the representative.

B. Swearing in ceremony at the BOS meeting

We missed the swearing in ceremony for 2013.

C. OCERS monthly meetings have expanded and include:

- **Regular Board Meeting**
- **Investment Meeting**
- **Finance and Plan Sponsor Meeting**
- **Annual OCERS Board Meet and Greet with REAOC/AREOC Boards**

Sara Ruckle Harms stated that we need to think about who can attend these meetings on a regular basis. Bob Griffith stated that it is very valuable for retirees to attend these meetings. Lou Scarpino suggested that it may be helpful to have a regular committee of active county retirees who can attend these meetings. Gaylan Harris suggested that we have Board members rotate and attend the regular OCERS Board meetings. Sara Ruckle Harms stated that the Investment Meetings are also helpful but, after discussion, we will not have a representative attend the Investment Meetings on a regular basis. It may be helpful to expand the Board watch committee to monitor the OCERS Board meetings. An announcement at the luncheon as well as a follow-up article in the *Informer* regarding volunteers to attend these meetings may be helpful. We will also plan on having another “Meet and Greet” with the OCERS and AREOC/REAOC Boards.

Action Item: Bob Griffith will discuss a future “Meet and Greet” with Steve Delaney so that a date may be established. The tentative date is May 20, 2012. We would also change our May REAOC/AREOC Board meetings to that same date.

VII. AREOC Communications Committee

A. Review and discuss revised Talking Points paper

In advance of the meeting, Gaylan Harris provided written comments regarding the fact sheet to Larry Leaman. Larry Leaman would appreciate meaningful comments from other Board members. Based on the forthcoming input provided by the AREOC Board, he will update the document. The next goal would be to share this document with Julie Wyne in OCERS for her comments. This document is ultimately an internal document that would be used as a training tool by the AREOC and REAOC Boards.

B. Voice of OC

Rebecca Guider and Sara Ruckle Harms will meet with Norberto Santana on January 28, 2013.

C. OC Business Council

Sara Ruckle Harms spoke to Jordan Brandman and he would like copies of our white papers sent to him as well as information about our organizations. He would be willing to meet with Lucy Dunn at the OC Business Council.

Motion made by Linda Robinson and seconded by Lou Scarpino that we receive and file this agenda item. Motion carried.

VIII. AREOC Meetings

There is not a need at this time for additional subcommittee meetings.

*Motion made by Larry Leaman and seconded by Linda Robinson to receive and file this item.
Motion carried.*

IX. Adjournment

A motion was made by Doug Storm and seconded Gaylan Harris to adjourn the meeting at 1:00 PM. Motion carried.