



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

Wednesday, February 13, 2013

I. The AREOC Board meeting was called to order at 11:07 AM by the President, Sara Ruckle Harms

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

Absent: None

II. Approval of Minutes January 9, 2013

A motion was made by Doug Storm and seconded by Larry Leaman to approve the minutes of the January 9, 2013 as written. Motion carried.

III. Treasurer's Report

Jan Stephenson presented the January 2013 Treasurer's Report. Gaylan Harris made a suggestion that our report be called the AREOC Treasurer's Report rather than the AREOC Litigation Fund report. The title will be changed as suggested.

Motion made by Linda Robinson and seconded by Lou Scarpino to approve the January 2013 Treasurer's Report. Motion carried.

Jan Stephenson also sent and shared the 2012 AREOC Quarterly Report as of December 2012.

A motion was made by Larry Leaman and seconded by Bob Griffith to receive and file the quarterly report through December 2012 as presented.

IV. Proposed 2013 Budget Discussion

Sara Ruckle Harms led a discussion regarding the proposed budget for 2013. The budget for 2013 is exactly the same as the 2012 AREOC budget. If need be, there could be a mid-year adjustment for the 2013 budget. The membership numbers will be reconciled with the 2013 REAOC budgeted numbers and will be changed to 4,953 members.

Motion made by Linda Robinson and seconded by Doug Storm to approve the 2013 AREOC Budget as amended per the discussion. Motion carried.

Motion made by John LaRoche and seconded by Larry Leaman to authorize payment as budgeted to a maximum of \$2,500 to the accountant, Daniel Leonard, for the review/audit and tax preparation of the 2012 taxes. Motion carried.

Motion made by Doug Storm and seconded by Larry Leaman to purchase a \$50 gift card for Nicole Macias to thank her for her support as the prior AREOC Treasurer. Motion carried.

V. Update on Meet and Greet with OCERS Board on May 20, 2013

Bob Griffith did not yet have a chance to talk to Steve Delaney for this future meet and greet but will do so. This meeting will include a luncheon provided by REAOC as was done in 2012.

Motion made by John LaRoche and seconded by Doug Storm to receive and file this item. Motion carried.

Action Item: Sara Ruckle Harms will contact Julie Wyne to attend a future Board meeting to discuss some of our questions.

VI. AREOC Communications Committee

A. Review and discuss revised Talking Points paper

Larry Leaman led a discussion regarding the February 11, 2013 version of the paper. Comments for updates were shared. Larry Leaman will update the document to integrate the final comments. The document will be shared with Julie Wyne once that the document is updated. The title of the document will be “Understanding OCERS Retirement Basics”.

B. Voice of OC

Rebecca Guider met with Norberto Santana for two hours and had a wide-ranging discussion. She is acting as an individual in this role and is not an AREOC and/or REAOC representative but rather will be discussing senior issues and pension issues as needed. AREOC will be sharing information with Rebecca Guider as needed so that she is educated in retiree needs. In Rebecca Guider’s bio, she has not mentioned organizations that she works with.

Action Item: Sara Ruckle Harms will suggest to Rebecca Guider that she add some of the organizations that she belongs to including her REAOC membership to her biography.

C. OC Business Council

Sara Ruckle Harms sent Jordan Brandman the train wreck material. He is working on arranging a meeting with Lucy Dunn.

D. Cypress Chamber State of the County Luncheon

Larry Leaman attended this meeting on February 7, 2013. John Moorchach was the only speaker and was represented as the representative of the County of Orange. Larry Leaman shared his comments as to the contents of Moorchach’s presentation.

VII. AREOC Meetings

No need to have a standalone meeting for AREOC.

VIII. Adjournment

A motion was made by Larry Leaman and seconded John LaRoche to adjourn the meeting at 1:00 PM. Motion carried.