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RETIRED EMPLOYEES ASSOCIATION OF VENTURA COUNTY BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING



Tuesday, December 10, 2024 – 11:30 a.m.
Hosted by Roberta Griego
1724 Tanager St.

CALL TO ORDER – First Vice President Roberta Griego called the meeting to order at 11:40 a.m.

Board members in attendance: Reddy Pakala, Roberta Griego, Ben Emami, Will Hoag, Paul Callaway, Nancy Settle, Butch Britt, Colleen Bruns, Anne Dana, Art Goulet, Lyn Krieger, Tracey Pirie, Jacquie Richardson, Cindy Schneider, Kelly Shirk, and Maryellen Benedetto. Board Member Tom McEachern was absent.

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Lyn Krieger motioned to Approve the Minutes from the October 22, 2024, Board Meeting—ATTACHMENT 1. Nancy Settle seconded, and the motion carried unanimously.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Butch Britt presented the Financial Report (Attachment 2) to be received and filed. Kelly Shirk made a motion, and Cindy Schneider seconded. The Board unanimously approved to receive and file.

Bookkeeper Britt also put forth a Discuss and Approve action to be taken regarding two Ventura County Credit Union CDs for February 2025. Butch Britt and/or Treasurer Paul Callaway were authorized to move CD funds into a money market fund. Roberta Griego made a motion to move the CDs, which Ben Emami seconded. The Board unanimously approved.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Retirement Board/Legislation – Art Goulet updated the Board on various retiree-related legislation in progress. The legal determination of which entity should be designated the authority to assign classifications and compensation, retirement boards versus human resources, is under review. He informed the Board that VCERA is considering new types of investments and seeking a new financial management company.

Newsletter – Ben reported that 1300 newsletters are sent via email and 205 through U.S. mail.

Program/Social/Luncheon – Roberta and the Board discussed rising food costs and the luncheon. Anne was congratulated for her work in providing another great luncheon. Roberta reminded the Board about the two-non-member guest limit at luncheons. Other retirement organizations also charge more for guests than for members. Art recommended conducting a survey to assess the processes used by other retirement organizations for their luncheons.

Scholarship – The scholarship deadline is March 31, 2025.

Audit Committee – Cindy Schneider indicated that the Audit Committee meets in May.

Membership Report/Courtesy – Nancy Settle indicated that membership has remained steady. Maybe more members will come from the Pacific Group Agency, and membership drives will be scheduled throughout the year. --

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CONTINUED BUSINESS

1. 2025 CRCEA Conference Committee Update- Nancy Settle/Roberta Griego Co-Chairs
CRCEA Conference: Roberta Griego is seeking assistance from County IT to support the CRCEA Conference. Various suggestions, such as a silent auction, obtaining sponsors to assist with the costs of breaks and swag bags, and speakers about AI, fraud, and The Tribe band, were discussed, and volunteers will soon be selected.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Discuss, Amend, and Approve REAVC Board Meeting Calendar – (ATTACHMENT 4 amended) Roberta Griego motioned approval of the calendar as amended to include the January 21 Special Meeting and the CRCEA Conference on April 13 through 16, 2025, and Jacquie Richardson seconded. The motion carried.
2. Discuss, Amend, and Approve REAVC Board Committee Assignments – ATTACHMENT 5 Roberta Griego motioned to accept the assignment as amended (see Attachment 5) and Tracy Pirie seconded. The motion carried.
3. Discuss and Consider the Approval of Food Share and Travel Opportunities—Nancy Settle discussed Food Share and bringing back the donation containers. The Board mentioned that these were previously discontinued because expired items were donated, causing more difficulty in processing than they were worth.
4. Discuss and Consider the Approval of an INTERIM MEMBER - An Interim member retires from the county, receives retirement benefits from VCERA, and subsequently decides to work full-time for a fixed term while stopping retirement benefits. ATTACHMENT 6 - Reference Article 5 at Microsoft Word - REAVCByLaws2007-08.doc . Reddy Pakala motioned, and Jacquie Richardson seconded, keeping Ben Emami in place on an interim basis. Ben will pay dues for 3 years. Ben abstained from voting, and the motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 1:28 pm.

The next regular Board Meeting is scheduled on Tuesday, February 4, 2025, at 11:30 a.m. at 1724 Tanager St. A Special Meeting at 10:30 a.m. on January 21, 2025, was also approved.