

ATTACHMENT 2 - MINUTES  
**RETIRED EMPLOYEES' ASSOCIATION OF VENTURA COUNTY BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING**

Tuesday, May 27, 2025, 11:30 meeting rescheduled from April 8 and hosted by Roberta Griego at 1724 Tanager St.

**CALL TO ORDER** – President Reddy Pakala called the meeting to order at 11:31 a.m. The following were present: Reddy Pakala, Roberta Griego, Ben Emami, Paul Callaway, Nancy Settle, Butch Britt, Colleen Bruns, Anne Dana, Art Goulet, Lyn Krieger, Cindy Schneider, and Kelly Shirk. Enough Board members were present to constitute a quorum.

**NEW BUSINESS**

Discuss and Approve – Recommendations for How Correspondence from REAVC Is Addressed on VCERA Board Agenda Items: Among items suggested were a collaborative welcome letter for new VCERA Board members and a letter about REAVC's position...Reddy said that a process is already in place for correspondence with VCERA. Lyn Krieger agreed to draft a welcome letter. Reddy and Roberta expressed a desire to maintain a collaborative relationship between REAVC and VCERA. Roberta would like to meet with VCERA for a collaborative discussion.

**FINANCIAL REPORT**

Butch Britt submitted a Financial Report for the Board to Receive and File. Lyn Krieger motioned, and Nancy Settle seconded to Receive and File. Motion passed with unanimous approval. CRCEA Conference Closing Administrative Details, such as repayment of seed money to CRCEA, were discussed. Nancy Settle motioned, and Ben Emami seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

**CONTINUED BUSINESS**

CRCEA Conference Final Report – Roberta indicated that she received a lot of positive feedback from participants. Everyone liked all of the speakers, especially the AI presentation and Monique Nowlin. Wild Apricot was discussed because of its potential to be used for all recordkeeping. The band was a success and expressed that they are happy to return in the future.

**MINUTES**

Roberta Griego motioned, Ben Emami seconded, and the February 4, 2025, Special Meeting minutes were approved.

**LUNCHEON UPDATE**

Anne Dana said she would be unable to attend the upcoming Scholarship luncheon, but Colleen Bruns agreed to assist with managing the event. Approximately 125 attendees were expected. Various venues for future luncheons were discussed. It was decided that Sterling Hills worked best because of its accessibility, central location, and service.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**Retirement Board/Legislation** - (Art) AB1383 and 569 regarding employer engagement of a union to create supplemental retirement plans, died. VCERA actuaries performed a risk analysis for three scenarios: meeting the assumed rate, not meeting the assumed rate, and earning about twice the assumed rate. Massive work is required with the Alameda corrections.

**Audit** – (Cindy) The audit was conducted on May 8. CDs, See's log, the cash box, etc., were accounted for down to the penny. Reddy Pakala thanked Butch Britt for a job well done.

**Newsletter** – Ben said sponsor ads caused mailboxes to reject the newsletter. It was sent three times before success.

**Nominations/Elections** -Nancy will reach out to Board members whose terms are expiring.

**Benefits** – Kelly indicated that the benefits meeting focused on rising costs.

**Scholarship** – Colleen said seven recipients will attend the luncheon. Each will receive \$1,000. Donation information will be placed at tables. Nancy will create a donation poster. A raffle will be held at the luncheon. Roberta suggested an announcement at the luncheon to let members present know to see Butch Britt if they want to donate. Nancy suggested it may be time to raise the scholarship amount. Butch Britt reported that the Credit Union currently donates \$2,000. Meadowlarks, APWA, and Engineering firms often have charitable golf tournaments to raise money. The scholarship committee consists of Maryellen Benedetto, Colleen Bruns, Ray Holzer, Don Greenberg, and Henry Solis.

**Membership Report/Courtesy** – Nancy reported membership has remained constant at nearly 3,000. Shalini assists with a membership mailout, and Steve Pettie sends a mailer to all retirees. REAVC mails out to around 800. Nancy suggested keeping membership dues at \$2 and increasing the luncheon cost instead.

The meeting adjourned at 1:11p.m.. The next meeting is Tuesday, August 5, 2025, 11:30 a.m. at 1724 Tanager St.

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Respectfully submitted by,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Dee Emami".

Dee Emami  
REAVC Executive Assistant

Reviewed and approved by,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Reddy Pakala".

Reddy Pakala  
REAVC President