

SONOMA COUNTY ASSOCIATION OF RETIRED EMPLOYEES (SCARE)
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Minutes of SCARE Board Meeting of Wednesday, June 27, 2018
SCLEA Office, Santa Rosa – 1 p.m.

Board Members in Attendance: Bill Adams, Carol Bauer, Ed Clites, Shaun DuFosee, Dick Gearhart, Patty Hamley, Lou Maricle, Bill Robotka, Alix Shor, and Phyris Tobler.

Board Members Absent: Bob Bulwa and John Pels

The meeting was called to order by Alix at 1:15 p.m. There was a quorum.

1. Minutes: It was moved by Lou, seconded by Carol, and agreed by all that the Minutes of the May 2, 2018, Board Meeting are approved.

2. Treasurer's Report: Bill will distribute the June Financial Statement after it is completed the end of the month.

3. CRCEA Conference: Sonoma and Mendocino Counties will be in charge of the Fall (October) 2019 CRCEA Conference. All SCARE Board members are expected to work on our conference. Alix asked for a volunteer from the Board to chair the conference. Lou Maricle and Carol Bauer volunteered to be Co-Coordiators.

Hotels suggested were: Rohnert Park Doubletree Hotel, Santa Rosa Hyatt Vineyard Creek Hotel (2011 location), and Petaluma Sheraton Hotel.

Suggested speakers were: Kris Organ, California Association of Retired Americans (CARA)
Emily Rogan, United Policyholders
Julie Wyne, CEO, SCERA
Mike McGuire, State Senator
Kamala Harris, US Senator (Shaun DuFosee will contact)

Alix will forward her file on the 2011 Conference to Lou and Carol. An updated Conference Manual is posted on www.crcea.org. The manual is listed under "Resources."

It was suggested that SCARE Board Members attend at least one day of the October 15 – 17, 2018, CRCEA Conference in Marin County to see what goes on at a conference. Tuesday, the 16th, was suggested as the best day. The conference will be held at the Four Points by Sheraton Hotel in San Rafael.

4. Recreational Program: Dick submitted a SCARE Travel Club proposal for members and guests to attend an afternoon A's Baseball Game in August using a Santa Rosa Airport Express bus. Depending on the number of attendees, the cost would be between \$49.50 to \$65 per person.

5. Strategic Planning: Our workshop will be held Saturday, August 18, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., at the SCLEA Office. Michael Allen has agreed to act as Facilitator.

6. SCCLO Report: Negotiations are currently underway.

7. JLMBC Report: The next meeting is tomorrow.

8. Independent Citizens Pension Committee: Bill R. reminded Board members the Committee meets the first Thursday of each month from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. at 2300 County Center Drive, Room 212. In July, it will be the second Thursday and Shaun agreed to attend as Bill will be out of town.

9. Recommendation for Mutual Benefit Organization Attorney: Phyris wants to know what we can legitimately spend our money on under corporation law to help our members. Bill Adams suggested we ask Michael Allen since he is an attorney. Bill Adams said it would be a conflict of interest for his own law firm to advise. Bill R. will talk to Michael.

10. Survivor Benefits: A member posed a question about his ex-wife versus new wife survivor benefits. He wants a change in the 1937 Act so that it would mirror CalPERS. It was suggested that this is a matter for CRCEA support since a change in the 1937 Act would affect all 20 counties under its jurisdiction. This member has already talked to David Rabbitt and Jackie Purter of SCERA. Alix will get back to the member and get more specific detail to give to CRCEA.

Adjourn: There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,
Patty Hamley, SCARE Secretary

Upcoming 2018 Events:

August 18 – Strategic Planning Session -- SCLEA

August 28 – Business Meeting – Steele Lane

August 29 – Board Meeting – SCLEA

September 12 – Luncheon – Oakmont

November 7 – Board Meeting

November 27 – Business Meeting – Steele Lane

December 12 – Luncheon -- Oakmont