

SCARE BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

Date: November 01, 2023

Time: 1:00 PM

Meeting called to order by: Kathy Young

IN ATTENDANCE:

Present: Kathy Young, Cora Guy, Ed Clites, Phyris Tobler, Patty Hamley, John Pels, and Lou Maricle

Via Zoom: Alix Shor, Carol Bauer, and Chris Bauer

Absent: Shaun Du Fosee, Jane Paul

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. Minutes from Board meeting on September 6, 2023.

Motion Made by John Pels and seconded by Phyris Tobler. Motion passed.

2. Minutes from membership meeting held on August 22, 2023.

Motion made by Ed Clites and seconded by Cora Guy. Motion passed.

TREASURERS REPORT

The report provided by Chris Bauer.

The financial statement is distributed by email to all Board members.

Some discussion of dues. Clites recommended that we poll other organizations' dues to see how ours compares. Carol Bauer said that CREA has ongoing reports with this information. Some counties have dues as low as \$3.00. There are also counties with dues lower than \$3, but they really don't do much for the membership. Additionally, there are county retirement organizations who have active employees as members at a lower rate of dues.

- a. 2022 Audit completed by our audit committee (Chris, Phyris, Kathy). Everything was OK.
- b. Attendance at NBLC COPE Awards dinner on December 15th.

A \$500 advertisement with the NBLC had been approved previously. Ed Clites to attend the awards dinner on behalf of SCARE.

- c. Chris Bauer will no longer be treasurer in 2024. Phyris, who held this position before, has agreed to take on this position.

Membership meeting on November 28

- a. SCARE Board election

Paul Carroll will be running for a position on the Board along with Cris, Lou, John and Phyris. Jane Paul is not going to run for the Board so there is an open position.

- b. Tech support – authorize increased funding

Don and Kathy do updates and setup the day before the meeting.

Need to add hours for the work associated with the meetings.

A motion was made by Kathy Young to pay Don up to six hours per meeting at \$50 per hour.

Seconded by John Pels, motion passed.

- c. Speaker, food, raffle, reports, set-up, clean-up

Speaker will be Julie Wyne.

We have plenty of snacks and drinks for the meeting.

Set up and clean up has worked Okay with volunteers.

It was suggested that we ask Alix Shor to send out an announcement on the Sunday before that Julie will be the speaker.

Phyris Tobler also suggested that an announcement should be sent out encouraging SCARE membership attend the December 14 SCERA Board Meeting where the COLA situation will be discussed.

5. Speakers for Membership meetings

Cora mentioned that Redwood Credit Union would provide a speaker on scams/fraud.

Face2Face would be willing to provide an onsite educational program on using Narcan in situations where someone has overdosed on opioids. Will see if there is interest from our membership.

Cora had also been attempting to have someone from CERES as a speaker for our meeting. They have not responded to her requests. Lou Maricle will look into contacting Cathryn Couch with the request for a speaker.

6. SCERA Board Election

John Pels and Mark Walsh are running for the 8th position. Neil Baker is running unopposed as the alternate.

In September Board meeting, the SCARE Board voted to support John Pels for the regular retiree seat. After much discussion, it was agreed that we would still support John but would show campaign statements for all in the newsletter.

7. Report from Shaun and Ed regarding the SCERA Planning Session on October 11/12

Ed Clites reported that it was a great meeting but not really a planning session. One of the takeaways from the session was that timberland possibly will be the next investment opportunity. More can be learned about the session in the SCERA Newsletter.

8. JLMBC – Phyris Tobler

An RFP for health insurance went out in September and results have been reviewed. We will probably have the same providers the County is already using. All rates are increasing but Kaiser is the highest with a 20% rate increase.

The next meeting will be held January 3, 2024 @ 1:00 PM at the Finley Center, 2060 W College Ave, Santa Rosa, CA 95401

The meeting adjourned @ 3:45 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Lou Maricle

Temporary Secretary