

SONOMA COUNTY ASSOCIATION OF RETIRED EMPLOYEES (SCARE)
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Minutes of SCARE Board Meeting of Wednesday, November 4, 2020
ZOOM Meeting – 1 p.m.

Board Members in Attendance: Carol Bauer, Chris Bauer, Cora Guy, Patty Hamley (had to leave the meeting early), Lou Maricle, Bill Robotka, Alix Shor, Phyris Tobler, and Kathy Young.

Board Member Absent: Ed Clites and Shaun DuFosee

The Meeting was called to order by President Alix Shor.

1. Minutes:

It was moved by Phyris, seconded by Lou, and approved by all that the Minutes of the September 9, 2020, Zoom Board Meeting are approved.

2. Treasurer's Report:

Bill distributed the Financial Statement for October to the Board by email prior to this meeting.

3. Donation to Redwood Credit Union Community Fund: It was moved by Phyris and seconded by Bill to approve the email vote to donate \$5,000 to the Redwood Credit Union Community Fund for Sonoma County fire victims. Approved by all.

4. CheckMate Funding: Lou is requesting the Board approve reimbursement for \$29.63 per month for the CheckMate software that helps locate missing members. It was agreed to retroactively pay this cost back to September 2019 and to continue for the next six months, at which time it will be reviewed for its effectiveness. It was moved by Kathy and seconded by Carol. Approved by all.

5. Membership Survey: There was a discussion about how to move forward with the member survey. It was agreed to send surveys to all members through USPS rather than doing some by email. Phyris will send her information to Alix. Alix will oversee getting the steps done to complete this project. Bill and Patty will go to the Post Office to set up the account needed for return envelopes. The envelopes, return envelopes, and survey will be printed and sent to the membership. The returned surveys will go to Cora and Carol to collate, with Chris and Kathy helping.

6. Speakers for Membership Zoom Meeting: Cora has scheduled Lisa Cannon, Director of the Food Bank, to speak at the November 17th Zoom Membership Meeting. Social Security is planned for February. In May County Parks will speak. Alix is getting information on Zoom meetings. Cora asked that we remind people to join the membership Zoom. Kathy will contact some of the people who expressed interest from out of State.

7. Meeting with Chris Coursey: Alix continues to try to get a meeting with Chris. He does not want to meet in person, so she will be contacting him about a Zoom meeting. Alix, Cora, Bill, and Shaun will

be working on questions to ask when they meet. Phyris suggested they send him the SCARE information sheet so he can learn about SCARE.

8. Board Elections in November: We will vote on the continuation on the SCARE Board of Ed Clites, Shaun DuFosee, Cora Guy, Patty Hamley, and Alix Shor at the next Membership Meeting. We will ask for a unanimous approval and allow for someone to vote no. If there is no quorum of 25 people, these people will remain on the Board.

9. CRCEA 10-21-2020 Delegates Meeting: Carol reported they did vote to change the bylaws to stagger the Board elections so there isn't a 100 percent turnover each time. The next conference is in Long Beach, November 7-10-2021. Mendocino has asked to be removed from the conference rotation because they are a small county. The secretary is retiring. Please contact Carol if you are interested in the position. They were told that Zoom meetings have few participants. People still have to get used to them.

10. Upcoming Retiree Representatives to SCERA: The candidates for representation on the SCERA Board will be making brief presentations at the next Membership Meeting after the speaker.

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

**Respectfully submitted,
Kathy Young, SCARE Member-at-Large**

Upcoming Events:

November 17 – Membership Meeting – Zoom

December 11 – Luncheon – Canceled due to COVID