

PRO Meeting  
June 4, 2014

PRESENT: Jerry Herman, Bruce Jacobs, Anna Pavelka-Lodato, Alex Pappas, Remo Arancio, Yvonne Lewis, Ann Whitehead.

ABSENT: Linda Japzon, Jay Quesada, Pat England and Debby Weintraub.

Jerry opened the meeting at 1:02PM

Secretary's Report: Remo moved for approval, seconded by Anna.  
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Ann distributed three announcements:

- Making Change at Walmart Rally--June 4, 2014 at 5PM
- A CFT Action Alert rally in Sacramento--June 6, 2014 at 11AM
- A districtwide breakdown of all scholarships and awards, 2014.

Treasurer's Report: Anna shared the current bank account balance, \$23,762.77 and reported that 31 PRO members attended the June 1 Garden Party. Anna added that in the July PRO meeting she will provide a full report regarding the party expenses etc.

Newsletter: Bruce identified June 15 as the deadline for materials needed for inclusion in the upcoming July issue of PRO's newsletter. Remo and Ann will meet one morning during the week of July 7-10 to prepare the mailing. Bruce shared that he plans to cover the recent Garden Party, the 2014 Scholarship awards, several photographs taken at the June 1 party and a discussion regarding the current high price of drugs in the July issue. Given people's vacation schedules, the following dates were established/provided:

- July 2, the next PRO meeting.
- August 7, Jerry returns from vacation, misses Aug. meeting.
- Late June, Bruce gets newsletter to printer.
- Newsletter goes into mail AFTER July 2 PRO meeting.

President's Report: Jerry noted with great praise all of the effort provided by Linda and Jay that contributed to an eminently successful Garden Party on June 1, 2014.

Social Committttee: Jerry commented that the yearly picnic will take place

in September, the annual luncheon, in November, that the Lesher theatre plays seem to appeal strongly to PRO members, and that on September 9 PRO will attend from 10-12 an OLLI-sponsored open house followed by lunch somewhere in Berkeley in a restaurant nearby to Freight and Salvage.

Service Committee: Yvonne, Bruce, Alex and Jerry shared details of their experiences delivering scholarships to each of the four campuses:

Yvonne	Merritt
Bruce	Laney
Jerry	BCC
Alex	Alameda

Yvonne also shared a 2 page document in which the PCCD Foundation describes its fee structure. Several questions remain regarding the fees and Yvonne said that she will pursue this matter further and report her findings during PRO's July meeting.

Benefits Committee: Regarding the Medicare Part D Bruce emphasized that ONLY Kaiser retirees with incomes above Medicare's threshold (\$58K single, \$116K couple) are affected and he shared that PCCD appears ready to reimburse but has indicated that it will not reimburse retroactively. Other issues remain. Negotiations on the issue continue between the PFT and the District regarding reimbursements for Part D payments and the issues surrounding so-called Specialty Pharmacies. Bruce agreed to report back in July the status of the agreement/s between PCCD and PFT and thus the impact on retirees.

Trustee Elections: Trustees Riley and Handy are running for re-election. Abel Guillen is leaving.

Jerry agreed to invite each of the three candidates running for Peralta seats to a PRO meeting, date to be established in order to accommodate candidates's schedules. Such dates will not be confined to the regularly scheduled PRO meeting dates, first Wednesday monthly.

Jerry adjourned the meeting at 3:02PM.