

Peralta Retirees Organization

Meeting Minutes: June 14, 2017

Present: Karen Anderson, Telly Castro, Patricia Dudley (Secretary), Jerry Herman, John Lodato, Helene Maxwell, Anna Pavelka-Lodato (Treasurer), Alex Pappas, Debby Weintraub (President)

Absent: Tom Branca, Carol Dalessio, Bruce Jacobs (Vice President)

| Agenda item         | Discussion   | Follow up action  |
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| Approval of minutes | 4/5/2017 MSU. Minutes are much appreciated.  |   |
| Officers' Reports   | Called to order 1:05 pm.   |   |
| Secretary           | Discussion continued re: AFT mailings. Patricia researched. We will not have to pay any fees. We will be categorized as "active retirees." Patricia will find out what the status of classified/confidential employees will be.  | Patricia will compose email and send out.                                       |
| Treasurer           | <p>A. There is \$19,138.31 in the PRO account.</p> <p>B. Expenses: Liability policy purchased with coverage dates: 4/15/2017 – 4/15/2018 (Burns and Wilcox Insurance Services). Malware for the website purchased. Gift card for Remo was purchased (\$150).</p> <p>C. Scholarship account owes \$1304.79 to the Peralta Foundation. Our account now reconciled with District account. Contributions to scholarship fund was \$579.75.</p> <p>D. We have one new member (Nancy Pak).</p>   |   |
| Vice President      | Absent.  |   |
| President           | We need the 7/5 meeting for preparing the newsletter for mailing. Debby notes that a number of people will be on vacation. We may have label meeting only. Debby will let us know as this develops.  |   |
| Social Committee    | <p>A. Debby states that the party at the Oakland Museum was a marvelous event and thanks to all who helped make it happen. There were about 35-40 people. The food was great. \$1656 was the actual cost. This is worth doing again next year.</p> <p>B. November membership meeting: Alex asked about liability insurance for this meeting. He wants to make sure we receive documentation if venue states that they carry it. Meeting to be 11/9/2017 Thursday.</p> <p>C. Picnic in August: Anna will contact the park (Huckleberry Picnic Area, Redwood Regional Park) to reserve. BYO food. Jerry will send out an email notification. Date will be last week of August, day determined based on</p> | <p>B. John will contact venue.</p> <p>C. Anna/John to call, Jerry to email.</p> |

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|                       | availability.   |   |
| Benefits Committee    | Telly attended. It was mentioned that Ralph Hohl died. No further information about the retirees email list.  | Telly will contact Bruce about Ralph.                             |
| Scholarship Committee | A. Scholarships awarded. Newsletter will have full report.<br>B. Alex reported on COA and Laney. Laney setting was beautiful but recipient didn't show. PRO should send out a notification for recipients to attend. There did not seem to be award ceremonies at BCC and Merritt.  | B. Debby will contact Keiko about notifications.                  |
| Membership Committee  | Telly and Karen suggested bus trips. It was mentioned that they did not work well in the past. Idea discarded. Two renewals.  | Debby will email us the statement to use for membership renewals. |
| Newsletter            | A. Content due tomorrow (June 6). 7/5 meeting will be for labeling. There are some nice photos from the Museum event.<br>B. Helene has not yet found someone to co-edit/write.  |   |
| Old Business          | None  |   |
| New Business          | A. Debby (with Jerry and Michael Mills) met with the Chancellor on 5/25 re: retiree benefits and OPEB bonds. Chancellor was concerned about the bond management. It seems he wants to relieve the CFO of the duties surrounding the bonds. He wants to hire someone for this function, and the same person would also attend to retirees benefits. He plans to fund the position(s) from OPEB profit. It was brought to his attention that this use of money was questionable so he will look into it. Discussion followed about the origin of the bonds and the function of the Retirement Board. Debby wants to meet with Board member Withrow concerning this, along with some other PRO people.<br>Due to concerns re: the OPEB bonds and the Retirement Board, we will discuss this further at the September meeting. Debby will invite Michael Mills and Mike Wirth to attend as additional resource people for us.<br>B. Filling Remo's position on the Board: Debby has four names of new retirees. Debby will re-contact Jennifer Seibert re additional names. |   |
| Adjournment           | 2:55 p.m. M/S/U. Next Meeting: July 5, 2017 1:00 pm. Location to be announced via email.<br><br><b>Meeting schedule for 2017:</b> Meetings in January, March, April, June, July, September, October, November (luncheon meeting) and December. No meetings in February, May or August.  |   |

Respectfully submitted,  
Patricia Dudley