

PRO Meeting November 6, 2008

This brief meeting took place following the annual PRO luncheon held at Wedgewood—same as 2007.

Present: Jerry Herman, Bruce Jacobs, Shirley Timm, Ann Whitehead, Sondra Neiman, Linda Japzon, Pat England, Remo Arancio, Ned Pearlstein

Absent: Odell Johnson, Alex Pappas

Jerry called the meeting to order at 1:26PM. At Jerry's request Bruce read a lengthy email message from Al Lannon, a Laney faculty retiree who had significantly participated in many of the civil rights protests of the sixties including the 1968 Democratic convention in Chicago. His timely message registered thanks for all the efforts of the men and women of our generation whose devotion to principle made the 2008 presidential election outcome a reality.

Jerry expressed particular appreciation to Linda and Jay Quesada for their hard work organizing the luncheon, to the musicians who performed for the second year at this event, and to the entire Board of Directors for all of their efforts.

Secretary's report: Ann paraphrased the minutes of the October meeting. Minutes were approved.

Treasurer's report: Shirley shared several interesting statistics: there are 336 paid members through 2009, 242 members already paid in advance

of 2009, and 16 lifetime members. Currently the balance of funds is \$18,668.00. Shirley shared that each year PRO sends \$2000.00 to the Peralta Foundation for the scholarship fund.

Bruce reminded everyone present how important it is to update their CORRECT email address if indeed it changes.

Service Committee report: Sondra shared that every year a scholarship in the amount of \$1000.00 is awarded at each of the four campuses.

Jerry announced that the PRO Board had recommended for re-election the current officers. Regarding the election for two Board positions, Jerry announced that sitting Board members Linda Japzon and Ned Pearlstein have been nominated for two-year terms by the Board. He opened nominations from the floor. No one else was nominated. Linda and Ned will be the only nominees for the two Board seats in the coming election. Ratification by the total membership for the officers shall be delivered via US mail.

The meeting closed at 1:49PM

Respectfully submitted by Ann Whitehead