

PRO Board Meeting
December 4, 2013

PRESENT: Jerry Herman, Bruce Jacobs, Debby Weintraub, Remo Arancio, Anna Pavelka-Lodato, Yvonne Lewis and Ann Whitehead.

ABSENT: Alex Pappas, Linda Japzon, Jay Quesada and Pat England.

GUESTS: Linda Handy and Deborah Silvey.

Jerry called the meeting to order at 1:00PM.

Jerry introduced Linda Handy, PCCD 11-year Board Trustee. Linda shared with the PRO group her lengthy experiences with Peralta. Linda will be up for re-election next year. Linda reported that the current PCCD Board is more united now than in her past years of service. She noted that given the currently resolved matters relative to accreditation, the PCCD Board is now able to address its major mission---advancing student success in a contemporary educational environment. Linda shared significant praise for the Peralta Foundation as well as its current Director.

Following Linda Handy's comments, Jerry introduced Deborah Silvey who shared copies with PRO of a recent RESOLUTION (copy att.) ---yet to be completed. The resolution identifies Peralta's "Policy on Environmental Sustainability", a policy formally adopted in December 2007. The resolution addresses a need to cease and or minimize new direct investments in fossil fuel companies by the close of the fiscal year, June 30, 2014.

Following Deborah's departure, Jerry called for a motion regarding divestment from fossil fuel companies. Bruce moved that the PRO Board supports the resolution which will divest in an orderly way from investment in fossil fuel companies. Remo seconded the motion.

Motion passed. 5---Yes 2---Abstentions.

Secretary's Report: Debby moved for approval of both October and November, 2013 minutes, seconded by Remo.
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Treasurer's Report: Anna reported that the current bank balance is \$24,054.97. For PRO's recent Annual Luncheon she also stated that 76 folks had paid and that there were 10 no-shows.

Newsletter: Bruce suggested that the 2014 Annual Luncheon should celebrate PRO's tenth-year anniversary. With respect to PRO's next newsletter prepared for distribution in January 2014, Bruce suggests for inclusion the following topics:

An analysis of the 2 million dollar limit for medical expenses for people who retired PRIOR to July 1, 2004, which may be a compelling incentive for those who have failed to sign up for Medicare until now.

An election ballot and survey of folks running for 2014 PRO Board accompanied with photos and candidates' statements. The ballots must be returned by January 21, 2014 with a valid postmark.

A description of an event---possibly at the Oakland Museum---for a PRO social gathering scheduled for February, 2014. It was noted that the performance of ELLA was highly appreciated along with Anna Pavelka-Lodato's warm reception following this afternoon event.

Bruce needs to have any contributions/suggestions for inclusion in the next issue of the newsletter by December 8, 2013.

President's Report: Jerry reported that the annual PCCD Foundation Dinner was attended by 350 folks where Barbara Rogers of Channel 5 and Joe Morgan, major league baseball player, spoke.

Benefits Committee: Debby shared that at the most recent meeting with the committee, Jennifer Seibert indicated that the PFT had identified only one change in language of the SPD (Summary Plan Description) from 2006 to 2008. Bruce, who has been working with the PFT on identifying changes, indicated that there were more changes than that and that the PFT was planning a meeting with Trudy and Jennifer to resolve the differences.

Service Committee: Yvonne received two donations: one from Dr. Spinetta commemorating Sheryl Queen and one from Patricia Russ commemorating Jane Koll.

Jerry stated that the January 2014 meeting of PRO will be on the 8th

Jerry adjourned this meeting at 3:13PM.