

PRO Meeting
August 6, 2014

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Given the absence of a quorum, Bruce discussed the following issues with the following members of the PRO board who were present:

Bruce Jacobs, Ann Whitehead, Anna Paveka-Lodato, Debby Weintraub, and Alex Pappas.

Members absent at this time were:

Jerry Herman, Jay Quesada, Linda Japzon, Pat England, Yvonne Lewis.

Remo Arancio had declared that he would be late.

Secretary's Report:

No action taken at this point in this meeting.

Following Remo's arrival at 1:30PM Debby advanced approval, seconded by Remo.

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Treasurer's Report:

Anna shared that as of August 5, 2014 PRO's bank balance is \$23,480.01. Anna also pointed out that the Peralta Foundation has announced a dinner scheduled for late in October, 2014 where PRO Board members are invited. Bruce urged that some of those seats, perhaps CFT sponsored, be occupied by PRO members/officers. Each dinner table by the Foundation is available to ten people.

Newsletter:

Bruce pointed out that in the next newsletter, October 2014, the time and place of the Annual Meeting will be announced.

Although not approved (due to lack of a quorum) the meeting place and date for the Annual Meeting remain undetermined. Bruce suggested that this discussion of the time/place of PRO's next Annual Meeting take place at the September 3, 2014 meeting where more board members may be present. Bruce reported that Jerry Herman wishes to resign from his position as President. Bruce agrees to serve as President ONLY until December 2014, the close of the current presidency's elected term.

At the upcoming Annual Meeting Bruce suggests that recognition of the 10-year existence of PRO be emphasized along with Jerry Herman's leadership, the contributions of several past PRO Board members' participation and the work delivered by Richard Bidelman whose efforts continue to assist significantly. Suggested dates for the upcoming Annual Meeting are Thursday November 6 or 13.

Vice-President's Report:

Bruce described his successful visit with Richard Bidelman on the island Hawaii during July, 2014. Bruce wants to encourage attendees at the Annual Lunch meeting to make contributions to the PRO sponsored Scholarship fund. Bruce shared that three email addresses had been returned: K Spinetta, C. Wilson and G. Van Noy. Bruce stated that he will continue to try to reach these people via snail mail.

Health benefits Committee:

Debby suggests that retirees who experience insufficient answers to their questions advanced to the Head of Peralta's Benefits Department be recorded/assembled for some future analysis. Bruce will outline in the October issue of PRO's newsletter all the helpful ways one can resolve questions regarding use of "out-of-network physicians" and reimbursements for payments.

Social Committee:

The annual picnic will take place on Friday August 8, 2014.

The OLLI event recently described in PRO's July newsletter is essentially cancelled. There is no lunch planned due to lack of interest in this proposal.

Scholarship Committee:

No report due to Yvonne's absence. Bruce asked if PRO was sending cards to people who were honored or to families of people memorialized with a contribution, to inform them about the contribution. We agreed to wait to discuss this with Yvonne in September.

New Business:

Debby described in detail her impressions of the two candidates who are running for the Peralta Trustee seat vacated by Abel Guillan. PRO agreed to invite Julina Bonilla and Richard Fuentes to the September 3 meeting at 1:45 and 2:15 respectively so that PRO board members can meet both candidates and introduce them to PRO.

The meeting adjourned at 2:30PM.