

This was a Virtual Meeting Held via Zoom

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING  
RETIRED PUBLIC EMPLOYEES ASSN. – CHAPTER 77  
Wednesday, February 23, 2022, 9:00 a.m.

**CALL TO ORDER:** In the absence of the President and Vice President, the meeting was called to order by Board Member Al Raitt.

**BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:** Barbara Evans, Secretary; Joan Palmer, Treasurer; Al Raitt, Health Benefits Chair & Membership Chair; Mary Kowta, Legislative Chair; Lawrie Salvestrin, Sunshine Chair; Ralph Huntsinger, Past President; Judy Winter, Member at Large.

**BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT:** Sharon Salcido, Newsletter Editor and Web Master.

**BOARD MEMBERS LATE:** Norman Stump, President (arrived after RPEA Area II Director's Report); Betsy Kruger, Vice President (arrived after Health Benefits Report via telephone).

**OTHERS:** Roger Klaves, RPEA Area II Director.

**LEGISLATIVE REPORT:** Kowta referred members to her report in the newsletter concerning COVID-19 developments, new legislation being considered by the Legislature, issues regarding SB9 requiring single-family lots to be considered for additional dwelling units if possible, distribution of State funds by the Governor to various causes. In addition, (1) CalPERS has hired Nicole Musicco as its new Chief Investment Officer, and (2) CalPERS action against police personnel who filed for retirement benefits but continued to work.

**AREA II DISTRICT DIRECTOR'S REPORT:** Klaves reviewed his report in the newsletter concerning CalPERS' funding level, and CalPERS Vice President Theresa Taylor assuming the duties of President following the resignation of CalPERS President Henry Jones.

**MINUTES:** There being no changes or corrections, the minutes of the 1/26/22 meeting were approved as submitted.

**TREASURER'S REPORT:** The report was accepted and showed a balance of \$5,338.26 for the period ending 2/23/22.

**HEALTH BENEFITS REPORT:** Raitt reported on the 2/10/22 Stakeholders' meeting with discussion on health benefit negotiations for next year and COVID regulations on wearing masks.

**MEMBERSHIP REPORT:** Raitt noted that one new member joined in January and received a new-member packet, with current membership at 330.

**NEWSLETTER & WEB SITE REPORT:** An email was received from Salcido in which she stated that the web site had been updated and included the minutes of the last Board meeting and the March newsletter. The newsletters were mailed on 2/18/22.

**SUNSHINE REPORT:** Salvestrin mailed a sympathy card to the family of Jerry Hughes. She pointed out a note in the newsletter reminding members that they should notify her of occasions when it would be appropriate to send a card from the Chapter.

**FUTURE MEETINGS:** Members discussed having another membership meeting in the form of a drive-by box lunch similar to the one held in December, preferably on 5/5/22, with the same committee members (Salcido, Winter, Kowta) and President Stump.

**NOTICE OF ZOOM BOARD MEETINGS:** Raitt asked for members' preferences on when he should email notices of Board meetings and it was agreed that early afternoon on the day prior to a meeting would be satisfactory.

Members also agreed with the President's suggestion to hold the April Board meeting in person if COVID restrictions would appear to allow it.

**ADJOURNMENT:** The meeting was adjourned at 9:55 a.m.

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Barbara A. Evans, Secretary