

This Was a Virtual Meeting Held Via Zoom

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
Retired Public Employees Assn. - Chapter 077
Wednesday, 9:00 a.m. - March 29, 2023

CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m. by President Norman Stump.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Norman Stump, President; Betsy Kruger, Vice President; Barbara Evans, Secretary; Joan Palmer, Treasurer; Sharon Salcido, Newsletter Editor & Web Master; Al Raitt, Health Benefits Chair; Mary Kowta, Legislative Chair; Michael Cassetta (arrived after Health Benefits report), Membership Chair; Lawrie Salvestrin (arrived after Health Benefits report), Sunshine Chair; Judy Winter, Member at Large.

OTHERS: Roger Klaves, Chapter 077 member.

MINUTES: There being no corrections, the minutes of the 2/22/23 meeting were approved as submitted.

TREASURER'S REPORT: The report showed a balance of \$4,124.99 as of 3/29/23. There being no questions, the report will be filed as submitted.

LEGISLATIVE REPORT: Kowta reported in the newsletter about the COLA increase in retirement benefits to be received by retirees in the month of May, the lobbying efforts of Aaron Read and Pat Moran on behalf of RPEA, the Governor's plan to reduce the cost of insulin to \$30, and changes proposed at San Quentin prison.

HEALTH BENEFITS REPORT: Raitt provided a report on matters considered during the stakeholders meeting on 3/9/23. Only 4.5% of members with CalPERS plans changed to other plans. He gave a history of other years on the number of members changing plans. The Butte-Glenn Medical Society can be contacted to inquire about which medical/health care practices may currently be accepting new patients.

MEMBERSHIP REPORT: Cassetta noted that membership currently stood at 315.

NEWSLETTER & WEB SITE REPORT: Salcido discussed her efforts to finalize plans with the Double Tree by Hilton for scheduling the next and future meetings of the Chapter, in order that she could provide accurate information in the Newsletter. The web site has been updated with minutes of meetings and other information.

SUNSHINE REPORT: Palmer requested that Salvestrin send a get-well card to Carl & Faye Johnson who were in a Redding hospital.

PROGRAM REPORT: Kruger announced that the program for the membership meeting would feature Joan Palmer giving a presentation about her Germany excursion in December. She added that she, Palmer and Salcido planned to meet with the management of the hotel in advance of the meeting to confirm that the necessary equipment would be available, and also meet with the chef regarding lunch arrangements. Members attending the 4/6/23 Chapter meeting will need to be directed to the

conference room where the meeting will be conducted. Members agreed with her suggestion about attempting to seek a state legislator to speak on the retirement system.

Kruger advised Board members that she would be late for the April 6 membership meeting and absent from the April 26 board meeting. Stump added that he would leave early from the 4/6/23 membership meeting.

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned at 10:05 a.m.

Barbara A. Evans, Secretary