

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING  
RETIRED PUBLIC EMPLOYEES ASSN. – CHAPTER 77  
Wednesday, November 20, 2019, 9:00 a.m. - Farmer's Skillet, 690 Rio Lindo Avenue

**CALL TO ORDER:** The meeting was called to order by Vice President Betsy Kruger, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

**BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:** Betsy Kruger, Vice President; 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; Craig Praizler, Member at Large; Judy Winter, Member at Large.

**BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT:** Norman Stump, President; and Sharon Salcido, Newsletter Editor & Web Master.

**GUEST:** Roger Klaves, Area II Assistant Director.

**MINUTES:** A motion by Winter to approve the 10/30/19 minutes was seconded and unanimously carried.

**TREASURER'S REPORT:** Palmer presented the Treasurer's report that showed a balance of \$3,502.92 as of 11/27/19.

**HEALTH BENEFITS REPORT:** Raitt stated that his report was set forth in the Newsletter and outlined information on Passages, a service of California State University, Chico, which provides community services and resources for older adults and family caregivers in Northern California.

**LEGISLATIVE REPORT:** Kowta indicated that her report was contained in the Newsletter. SB 496 aimed to protect investors from financial abuse and SB 228 provides for a master plan on aging. The first year of the 2019-2020 session has ended. The Social Security COLA provided in January will be 1.6%. Area II Assistant Director Roger Klaves reported that Transparent California had attempted to secure and publish the names of CalPERS retirees who were receiving disability benefits, which CalPERS refused to do. After Transparent California filed a lawsuit in Sacramento Superior Court, the court ruled in CalPERS' favor and summarized the negative effects that could result if their names were published.

**SUNSHINE REPORT:** Salvestrin sent sympathy cards to Lee August (deceased wife, Ann August), the families of Pat McIntosh and Suzanne Richards, and the family of Paul Tamboury, Area I Director.

**CHRISTMAS PARTY:** Drawings for prizes furnished by Board or other members, along with drawings for poinsettias, will be accomplished by using numbered tiles coinciding with numbers beside names on the signup sheet. Kruger indicated to band members that they could play any time after 11:30 a.m. Salvestrin will arrange for poinsettias, Joan will have a lunch donation jar, Kruger will have a band tip jar, Stump will finalize menu and reserve parking for band members, if available.

**PROGRAM REPORT:** Kruger is attempting to secure a speaker from Enloe Rehabilitation for the January 9 program, and has arranged for Butte County Sheriff Honea to speak on current issues at the February 6 meeting.

**MEMBERSHIP REPORT:** Raitt reported that he will be receiving the monthly RPEA Membership Roster from RPEA headquarters and he summarized the type of information that was included. He and his wife Sue had reviewed membership material from past Chairs Winter and Margaret Ballinger, and he would be asking members for their assistance in carrying out his responsibilities as Membership Chair.

**ADJOURNMENT:** The meeting was adjourned at 9:45 a.m.

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Barbara A. Evans, Secretary