

This was a Meeting held via Zoom  
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BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING  
Retired Public Employees Association  
Wednesday, October 29, 2025 – 9:00 A.M

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 A.M. by President Norman Stump.

**RECORDING OF MEETING BY AI:** As approved by the Board at its last meeting, Raitt reported that today's meeting was being recorded by AI and it would generate a summary for the Secretary in preparing minutes for the meeting.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Norman Stump, President; Betsy Kruger, Vice President; Joan Palmer, Treasurer; Sharon Salcido, Newsletter Editor & Webmaster; AI Raitt, Health Benefits Chair; Michael Cassetta, Membership Chair; Judy Winter, Sunshine Chair; Faye Johnson, Member at Large.

**MEMBER ABSENT:** Barbara Evans, Secretary.

**OTHERS:** Roger Klaves, Chapter Member.

**MINUTES:** There being no corrections, the minutes of the 9/24/25 meeting were approved as submitted.

**TREASURER'S REPORT:** The report will be filed as submitted, with the balance as of 10/31/25 being \$5,058.88.

**CalPERS INVESTMENTS:** Board members discussed CalPERS's investments and the performance of the CEO. Members suggested that the President contact JJ Jelincik, Director of Health Benefits, regarding the status of the CalPERS investigation, and the GoFundMe effort to finance the investigation.

**HEALTH BENEFITS REPORT:** Raitt previously reported that CVS Caremark would replace OptumRX for Medicare Part D prescription drug coverages. He noted that CVS coverage would become effective 1/1/26 and that cards would be mailed to subscribers between now and 1/1/26. He mentioned significant premium increases were expected for Affordable Care Act plans and a 26% decrease in Medicare Advantage programs. In response to Klaves, he explained that the Age Assured program was endorsed by CalPERS, it was a volunteer program, its purpose was to help members remain at home safely, and contained suggestions to prevent accidents and falls.

**LEGISLATIVE REPORT:** It was agreed that the President would contact RPEA Area II Director, regarding the status of any pending legislation.

**MEMBERSHIP REPORT:** Cassetta submitted a memo to members on the status of membership, noting that current membership for September stood at 360.

**NEWSLETTER & WEB SITE REPORT:** Salcido reported that RPEA headquarters was handling the printing, distribution and mailing of the newsletter, which saved substantial Chapter members' time in performing these tasks. She expected that postage costs would eventually be charged to the Chapter. The web site was being updated with current information.

**SUNSHINE REPORT:** Winter reported that a sympathy card was mailed to the Lois Nelson family but was returned as undeliverable, get-well cards were sent to Sue and Al Raitt, and to Mike Cassetta. A member suggested a card for Sarah Armstrong's family, but no address could be found.

**PROGRAM REPORT:** Kruger needed more lunch confirmations for the November 6 membership meeting and Salcido will send out an email reminder before Friday to members with emails. Some members stated their confusion with the name Adrianna on the RPEA envelope containing the newsletter, and Kruger would mention a clarification at the membership meeting.

The program for 11/6/25 will feature Shela McQuaid, Program Director, and Addie Walsh, Program Manager on the topic of 530 Food Rescue Coalition. Pastor Dave will provide the Christmas music at the December meeting and he might bring his wife to sing. Kruger will ask Nash's for extra room for the December program. Members agreed with Kruger's suggestion to change the January meeting to January 8 due to a conflict with the January 1 holiday. Stump suggested a program about oral hygiene for seniors and Kruger indicated that she would add the suggestion to her program folder.

**ADJOURNMENT:** The meeting was adjourned at 9:50 A.M.

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Barbara A. Evans, Secretary