# **MEETING MINUTES**

## SCARE

Date: July 12, 2023

Time: 1300 hours

Meeting called to order by: Kathy Young

## IN ATTENDANCE

Kathy Young, Cora Guy, Ed Clites, Shaun Du Fosee, Phyris Tobler, Patty Hamley, Alix Shor, Bill Robotka.

Absent: Carol Bauer, Chris Bauer, Lou Maricle, John Pels

Guest: Jane Paul

#### APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Minutes from the May 3, 2023, meeting approved by unanimous vote.

Motion Made by Guy and seconded by Du Fosee.

Abstain: Clites, Tobler

#### PRESIDENTS REPORT

Working on removing one of the two active ZOOM accounts, as it's not needed.

## TREASURERS REPORT

No formal report for this meeting. The treasurer is on vacation.

## **Donations**

CARA--\$500 Food Bank Redwood Empire--\$2500 Council on Aging--\$2500 North Bay Labor Council (NBLC)--\$800

## Motion Made by Tobler and Second by Young

To Approve the annual listed donations and that the finance committee shall include these donations in the final budget on an ongoing basis.

Motion Passed with unanimous vote.

#### **REPORTS**

Committee reports

#### **Scholarship**—Clites:

Meeting with Laurie Ogg (Sonoma State) on July 13, 2023, @ 1100 hours to discuss invoice received concerning 2 scholarships.

Working on arranging a meeting with Sara Lagos (SRJC) to discuss the status of SCARE scholarships and the reported balance that SRJC has on its books.

SCERA will not verify active employees who are linked to applicants for our scholarships. We are trying to confirm the reason for this and if we can't get info from SCERA, how do we get it. Clites will check.

## **Speakers**—Guy:

For the August 22, 2023, membership meeting; will have a speaker from the Red Cross. (Had difficulty in getting a response from them.)

Gift Cards (Tobler); We will be giving out gift cards to members who attend in person or via Zoom. Discussion on what types of cards to give out. Let up to Young and Tobler.

Guy and Clites to handle food for the meeting.

Finley center to handle room set up.

## COLA (AD-HOC)—Clites:

500 responses are in hand with a few still being received and he is continuing to input the results.

No real "smoking gun" was given in responses, mostly repetition of provided talking points.

July 20, 2023, SCERA Board to discuss negative contingency fund reserve and receive a report from

actuary (Segal). SCARE board members are urged to attend the meeting.

Clites will write an article for the newsletter and provide for posting to the SCARE Facebook page.

#### SCCLO/ICPC--Robotka

SCCLO is on hiatus post-negotiation.

ICPC has had a new member appointed with a finance background. The next meeting is scheduled for August 10, 2023, in the HR training room.

NBLC is preparing for Labor Day.

#### JLMCB – Health Insurance - Tobler

The County has requested that we coordinate the open enrollment period for the PGA insurance with the County as having a later end to enrollment has caused confusion for retirees – some who missed the open enrollment deadline for County insurance. Phyris agreed to ask PGA to make this change next year.

We had someone sign up for PGA insurance who turned out to not be getting a pension. Since we did not discover this until after insurance was granted, Young and Tobler made an executive decision to allow her to pay for 1 year of SCARE membership since membership could not be deducted from pension.

#### Good of the Association:

Bill Robotka announced is stepping down from the SCARE board but will continue to volunteer to attend the ICPC, SCCOLO, and NBLC. Jane Paul is interested in joining the Board in his place.

Conversation concerning further defining the responsibilities of each Board position.

Conversation concerning the possibility of creating Standing Rules.

Hamley is stepping down from taking minutes. Du Fosee will take over the taking of minutes at board meetings. Tobler will take minutes at membership meetings.

## **NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting will be held on September the 6th @ 1300 hours at the Finley Center

The meeting adjourned @ 1530 hours.

Respectfully submitted. Shaun Du Fosee