

Twenty Fourth Annual Meeting of PACRA
May 14, 2015
The Old Spaghetti Factory, San Marcos

- 11:30 – 12:00** **Social time.**
- 12:00 – 12:45** **Welcome and Lunch.** PACRA President, June Rady welcomed all attendees and gave a brief introduction of Superintendent/President Bob Deegan.
- 12:30 – 1:00** **President Deegan** acknowledged his retirement as of June 30, 2015 and his plan to join the ranks of PACRA. He stated the retiree health benefits paid by Palomar College will continue as in the past and if ever there were to be a problem, he would be marching to the campus with the retiree group to fight for these benefits. Deegan stated that a Selection Committee has been established to create the criteria and time line for hiring the new Superintendent/President by January 2016. An interim President will be selected and will be on board July 1, 2015. He spoke of his pride over the accomplishments of faculty and staff during his ten years at Palomar. He mentioned that commencement will be postponed this year due to the threat of lightening and this would be only the second time commencement was postponed, the first being last year due to the wild fires. Deegan stated that Palomar has approximately seventeen hundred veteran students who are currently receiving educational benefits and, coupled with their family members, total five thousand students. In fall, 2015 a new Veterans Center is scheduled to open and it will be a one-stop shop for all veteran student needs. President Deegan gave a brief update of the Prop M Bond and all the opportunities these funds have afforded Palomar College. This funding has transformed the face of Palomar College by allowing the building of new state of the art building and classrooms.
- 1:00 – 1:10** **Bob Larson** gave a brief history of PACRA and of the partnership between PACRA and the Palomar College Foundation. Bob introduced Debbie King and Kim Hartwell and asked if they would address the group about the many activities of the Foundation.
- 1:10 – 1:15** **June Rady** introduced members of the Board of Directors and gave special recognition to Jean Ruff, Sandy Nanninga, Becky McCluskey and Steve Spear for their service as PACRA's representatives on the Palomar College Benefits Committee. She thanked everyone for their membership support and reminded all of PACRA's important mission which is to maintain and improve the quality of our members lives by monitoring and protecting our retirement/health benefits received upon officially retiring from Palomar College. She noted that PACRA is currently monitoring an initiative proposal for a change in benefits for public employees call the "Voter Empowerment Act of 2016." The proposal has been filed with the Secretary of State by Chuck Reed, former mayor of San Jose and former San Diego City Councilman Carl DeMaio, in hopes of qualifying it for the state-wide ballot in November 2016. The Secretary of State has forwarded

the proposal to the Attorney General's office for preparation of a 'title and summary' ...a requirement of law necessary prior to allowing the proponents to begin signature gathering.

June reminded the attendees that PACRA offers a Scholarship each year for family members and as many of us now have grandchildren entering college age, please encourage them to apply for the PACRA Scholarship.

1:15 – 1:20

Judy Cater offered her sincere appreciation to the Foundation for all of their assistance though the years, most especially the purchase of text books for the lending library. These text books are available to students to use in the Library when their financial aid has not come through or they may not be able to afford the purchase of a text

Judy acknowledged new PACRA members in attendance and asked how many were attending the annual meeting for the first time. She also asked that we take a moment to acknowledge our colleagues who have passed away and mentioned of the loss of our Past President Dr. Ken Burns. She requested a moment of silence in remembrance of those colleagues.

1:20 – 1:30

Bob Larson called for the the election of 2015 – 2017 officers. Current slate of officers are:

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| • President | June Rady | President through June 30, 2017 |
| • Vice-President | Ted Kilman | Vice-President through June 30, 2017 |
| • Member-At-Large | Steve Spear | Member-At-Large through June 30, 2017 |

Bob asked for nominations from the floor and having received none he then asked for a motion that the current slate of officers carry forward into the next election cycle.

MSC to elect the slate of officers by acclimation.

Bob continued the business meeting giving a Treasure's Report. He then asked if there were any items from the floor. Having none Bob brought the meeting to a close.

1:30 – 2:30

Bob Larson thanked all for their attendance and announced that the room is available until 2:30 if any have the time and would like to visit with one another. Picture taking is also encouraged.

2:30

Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Jean Ruff
Recording Secretary