Minutes of the PACRA Board of Directors Meeting

February 17, 2011

Attendance: Jim Bowen, Ken Burns, Jean Huston, Ted Kilman, Bob Larson, Sandy Nanninga, June Rady, Jean Ruff.

Absent: Jim Clayton, Ja Dene Dugas, Shirley Jordan, Omar Scheidt.

Guest: Becky Mc Cluskey.

Approval of Minutes:

MSC Sandy Nanninga/Rady to approve the Minutes of the January 20, 2011 meeting.

Announcements: None.

Reports/Updates:

PACRA Benefit Letter:

There was considerable discussion regarding John Tortarolo's draft letter to Palomar retirees. It was agreed that the following three items need to be addressed.

- PACRA believes that the PACRA board should be recognized as the organization that brought this issue to the districts attention. John's letter states "a group of retirees who receive lifetime benefits."
- PACRA strongly believes that the wording of "contractual obligation" must be in the letter. John's letter uses the term "commitment"
- PACRA also believes that the letter must be signed by Bob Deegan, President Palomar College. *John's letter is signed by John Tortarolo, Vice President of Human Resources.*

June Rady brought hand outs for all in attendance with the Webster's New World Dictionary definitions of the words: *Commitment* and *Contract*.

After considerable discussion the PACRA board agreed unanimously to include these three items in an updated letter to be written by June Rady. The next step will be for Ken Burns to contact Bob Deegan's office directly for the purpose of setting up a meeting with the following PACRA representatives: Ken Burns, Ted Kilman, Bob Larson, June Rady, and Jean Ruff (Omar Scheidt is on vacation.) The purpose of the meeting will be to discuss the letter from John Tortarolo and to present to Bob Deegan PACRA'S updated letter as written by June Rady.

Disposition of Dr. Schettler materials: Ted Kilman tried to contact Katherine Gannett but was unable to do so prior to the meeting. He will continue to try to reach her to discuss the items.

New Business:

Annual Meeting: Bob Larson discussed the need to rewrite the portion of the PACRA bylaws relating to Dues prior to our annual meeting. Any change in the dues structure change must be voted on by the membership at the annual meeting.

Bob brought with him a sample letter that he sends out to PACRA members who have allowed their membership to lapse due to a non-payment of dues.

Bob requested permission to send a memoriam for John Tanner on behalf of PACRA. Ken Burns approved this action.

The annual meeting will be discussed in greater detail at the March 17, 2011 meeting.

Other Business: None.

Adjournment: The meeting adjourned at 2:58.

Respectfully submitted,

Jean Ruff, Recording Secretary