

Minutes of the PACRA Board of Directors Meeting

September 20, 2012

Attendance: Jim Bowen, Ken Burns, Becky McCluskey, Bob Larson, Sandy Nanninga, June Rady, Jean Ruff.

Absent: JaDene Dugas, Shirley Jordan, Ted Kilman, Steve Spear.

Approval of Minutes: August 16, 2012 minutes. MSC Larson/Rady.

Announcements: Bob Larson mentioned that Tom Dolan and Jim Ardern both recently passed away.

Bob stated that the cost to produce the 2010-2012 directories was \$530.00 and \$1.05 each to mail. The cost for the 2012 – 2014 directories was \$228.00 and a cost of .65 cents each to mail. This was an overall savings of \$380.00. The group all agreed that the directory looks good and that production and mailing costs coming in with a savings was even better.

Reports/Updates: **Benefits Committee:** Becky and Jean both attended the committee meeting. A major change will be to change to the district's health plan as it changes from the Multi Plan Network to the Cigna Network beginning in January, 2013. Cigna will offer a wider coverage area and most of our Physicians currently in Multi Plan will most likely be in Cigna although there are presently fewer Chiropractors in Cigna. As with Multi Plan there is a method for our Physician(s) to be added to the list of Cigna providers. It was suggested that we begin checking with our physician to see if they are a part of the Cigna network. The Fringe Benefits Consortium will be sending information and new health cards soon. Estimated savings for Palomar by the year 2015 will be \$240,000 per year.

Gifts for Resigning Board Members: Bob has investigated the cost of three 8x10 walnut plaques to be presented to Jim Clayton, Jean Huston and Omar Scheidt.

MSC Sandy/McCluskey that Bob order plaques for Board retirees to be presented at a luncheon meeting to be held at the Olive Garden on October 18, 2012 at noon. Bob and June will work together on wording for each individual plaque.

Ken will contact Olive Garden regarding reservations. PACRA will cover lunch for resigning board members and guest.

Planetarium Presentation: Bob presented information regarding a PACRA sponsored event in the new Planetarium. We need to have a minimum of 30 attendees. Date of the event will be October 27, 2012 at 11:00 am. This event will be open to all local PACRA members and invited guests. The cost will be \$4.00 each and will be paid at the door. Reservations will be made in advance. Bob will send email invitations to all local members who have provided their emails to PACRA and he will send via postal mail invitations to all others. Bob will also contact Campus Police regarding parking instructions. This presentation will be approximately one hour and will include two different shows.

Old Business: **PACRA Mission Statement/PACRA Scholarship & Foundation Account:** There was continued discussion regarding PACRA'S decision to broaden the mission of the organization beyond offering a scholarship each year. The current mission statement was recently published in our directory and will be changed in the next publication. June has drafted a letter to be sent to the Foundation expressing the decision of PACRA to broaden the scope of the organization. Bob will contact the Foundation regarding the deletion of the PACRA Scholarship from the computer generated list of available scholarships. Bob indicated there would be no need to change the Foundation account.

Board Replacements: The PACRA Board was unanimous in its decision to invite Steve Spear to serve on the board. Steve will be replacing Jim Clayton as a Member At Large. This term will be until June 2013. Bob will contact Steve and will invite him to attend the next meeting on October 18, 2012.

Retire Public Employees' Association of California (RPEA): June will research to see whether PACRA could be allowed to join this organization or if membership must be on an individual basis. Membership dues are \$54.00 per year. RPEA is a statewide organization which monitors the CA State budget, health benefit plans, proposed bills and initiatives. The PACRA Board is unanimous in the decision to join by whatever means possible. This topic will be continued for further discussion as more information is available.

New Business: **Palomar Governing Board Candidate Forum:** June was contacted by Laura Gropen who was representing President Bob Deegan. The request was for PACRA to sponsor or assist in sponsoring a candidate forum for the upcoming Governing Board candidates. There are three incumbents and three challengers. The forum would be in the month of October. Ken will contact Laura to state that PACRA will not be able to participate in a candidate forum due to prior scheduled events in the month of October.

Other Business: None.

Adjournment: Meeting was adjourned at 3:03.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jean Ruff, Recording Secretary