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# REAC NEWS

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## DIRECTORS' COMMENTS BY MARY MILLER, TREASURER AND ACTING PRESIDENT

The REAC Annual Meeting was held just prior to the Spring Luncheon. We had a quorum and elected members to the board. However, let me remind you that there are still two vacancies. Our luncheon speaker, ACERA Counsel Kathy Mount, talked about pension reform and proposed legislation. ACERA is watching all closely and will keep us informed of anything to be concerned about.

minutes, and committee reports as well as current and archived newsletters. The newsletters can be sent via email by signing up on this site.

A good source of information about ACERA is found at [www.acer.org](http://www.acer.org). There you can find profiles of the ACERA Board members, resources for Retirees and Families, Investment information, and general information on ACERA and how it works.

### Websites – A Wealth of Information

A good source of information about REAC is found at [www.reacsite.org](http://www.reacsite.org). There is general information about REAC on the home page, but even more information for members. Click on the Resources for Members Only tab on the tool bar at the top of the page. A message will immediately appear to get the password. If you already have the password, then just move on through the site. However, if you do not have the password, be sure to fill out that message box. If you bypass it, then you will have to log off the site and try again. Links on this part of the site take you to the ACERA Investment Performance Reports, Public Retirement Journal Articles, and the California Retired County Employees Association (CRCEA) website. In addition, REAC Board information includes bylaws, agendas,

### CRCEA Conference

The California Retired County Employees Association will hold their Spring Conference in Santa Barbara from April 16 to 18. Board members Rosalie Masuda and Jerry Jacobs will attend. They expect to gain insights on current issues of interest to public employee retirees. Look for updates in a future newsletter.

### ACERA Investment Report

ACERA reported in its February Performance Report that the fund has lost \$231,867,241. The total fund returned -2.52%. The total market value of the fund at the end of February was \$8,197,836,881.

### REAC BOARD MEETINGS

**April 9, 2018**

(Monday) 9:30 AM  
 Ala. Cty. Health Care #242  
 1000 San Leandro Blvd.  
 San Leandro

**May 14, 2018**

(Monday) 9:30 AM  
 Ala. Cty. Health Care #242  
 1000 San Leandro Blvd.  
 San Leandro

<http://reacsite.org>  
[reacwebsite@gmail.com](mailto:reacwebsite@gmail.com)

### ACERA TRUSTEES MEETINGS

**April 12, 2018**

(Thursday) 2:00 PM  
 475 14th Street, Oakland

**May 17, 2018**

(Thursday) 2:00 PM  
 475 14th Street, Oakland

[www.acer.org](http://www.acer.org)

### WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

Adelyn Hodson  
 Stephen Karcher  
 Bernardo Maglaya  
 Malwinder Mand  
 Robert Milliff  
 Lakesha Smith  
 Eve Szymkiewics  
 Mary Vanderbeck  
 Robert Weston  
 James C. Wolf

# MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING, RETIRED EMPLOYEES OF ALAMEDA COUNTY, MONDAY, MARCH 12, 2018

*Fairview Metropolitan Golf Course, 10051  
Doolittle Drive, Oakland, CA*

The annual meeting was called to order at 11:07 by Mary Miller, Treasurer and Acting President of the board. Marian Breitbart, Vice President certified the presence of a quorum for the transaction of business. It was moved by Marian Breitbart, Vice President and seconded by Lavon Hodges, member, that the minutes of March 13, 2017 annual membership meeting be approved as presented. The motion was approved.

**ELECTION OF DIRECTORS:** Marian Breitbart, chair of the nominating committee, reported that Rosalie Masuda, Mary Miller and Mike Smart agreed to serve another term as REAC board directors. Marian nominated Rosalie Masuda, Mary Miller and Mike Smart to be elected to an additional term. Mary called for a voice vote of the members in attendance. All members voted yea, and there were no nay votes. All three members were unanimously elected.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:** Liz Koppenhaver from the Retirement Board reported on the upcoming COLA increase effective April 1, 2018: 3% for Tier 1 and 2% for Tier 2 and 4 recipients.

Liz also reported on ACERAs position on a Bill authored by State Assemblyman Morehouse from Orange County. This bill would authorize counties to suspend cost of living raises if the retirement fund fell below 80% vesting. She stated that three or four bills a year that are floated that may influence our pensions. So, it is important to keep a watch on these bills. Kathy Mount, ACERA attorney is tracking this closely and will be speaking at the annual luncheon today.

Liz also spoke briefly about out-of-state health care coverage. She let us know that some states don't have as good a Health Care Exchange and to check with ACERA when planning to move.

Mike Smart reported that the Annual Health Care Planning meeting would be held March 15, 2018. This year's updates would follow.

**MEMBERSHIP:** Jerry reported that as of February 28th, 2018 REAC membership stood at 4118. He also encouraged members to receive the newsletter online, rather than in the mail. Jerry gave instruction on how to access the REAC Website as [www.reacsite.org](http://www.reacsite.org). He also encouraged people to report to him if there was

a change of address. Jerry spoke about the REAC Membership Card and discounts for REAC members at SEE's Candy Outlet Stores. Also, about discounted gift cards that can be used at SEE's stores. These can not be used at the airport or other KIOSKS. Jerry also let everyone know that he was retiring his position at the end of March 2018.

**TREASURER'S REPORT:** Marry Miller handed out the Annual Treasurer's Report for the calendar year 2017. REAC's receipts were \$63,178.41, and disbursements were 80,249.79. There is a CRCEA Conference Expense has not been reconciled yet. Wayne Templeton, member, moved to approve the Treasures Report. It was seconded by Renaye Johnson and the 2017 Treasurer's Report was approved.

**GOOD OF THE ORDER:** There was a brief discussion of our dues being \$1.00 since 1976 and that our costs have increased over time to be more than what the dues bring in. Also, there were several areas discussed to review to see if costs could be reduced, such as more people using the online newsletters.

Mary adjourned the annual meeting at 11:48 a.m.

*Respectfully submitted, Renaye Johnson  
for Paul L Reeves, Board Secretary*

# MINUTES OF THE MONTHLY MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE RETIRED EMPLOYEES OF ALAMEDA COUNTY, MONDAY, MARCH 12, 2018

*Fairview Metropolitan Golf Course, 10051  
Doolittle Drive, Oakland, CA*

Mary Miller, Acting President and Treasurer, called the meeting to order at 9:50 a.m.

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## Roll Call

Nancy Riley, Mike Smart, Marian Breitbart, Mary Miller, Liz Koppenhaver, Jerry Jacobs, Rosalie Masuda, Renaye Johnson were present. Also, REAC member Wayne Templeton was present.

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## Minutes

Minutes of the February 13, 2018 meeting were reviewed. A motion was made by Marian and seconded by Jerry to approve the minutes as submitted. The motion was passed unanimously.

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## Announcements

Liz reported on the passing of Charles Plummer, Retired Sheriff of Alameda County.

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## Reports

**ACERA:** No updates

**TREASURES REPORT:** Mary distributed copies of REAC's February 28, 2018 Treasurers Report. The checkbook balance stands at 1,738.67. and total assets at \$74,54567. Receipts were \$7,350.79 and Disbursements were \$10,697.83. The only unusual expense was \$4,119.00, a payment to the Fairview Metropolitan Golf Course for payment in full. To be returned to REAC after the final settlement of the Spring Luncheon. Mary reported an increase in the Newsletter expense, due to changes made and publisher expenses. Mary also reported that she will be contacting our accountant to submit taxes by March 30, 2018. Mike motioned that the February 28, 2018 Treasurer's Report be approved as submitted. Renaye seconded the motion and the motion was approved.

**CRECA:** Rosalie will be attending the conference, representing REAC. Jerry brought up a concern about his participation being approved as a board member. He will be attending the conference, no longer a board member. There was discussion regarding the transition. When the Board voted to send both Jerry and Rosalie to the conference, both were

Board members. There was a motion by Mary to continue the approval for payment for Jerry Jacob to attend this conference. It was seconded by Renaye and the motion was approved.

**SACRS:** No updates

**RETIREMENT BOARD:** Discussion regarding a State Bill presented by Representative Moorlach from Orange County. This bill states that pension recipients Cost of Living Increases would be suspended, if the pension fund falls below 80% funding. Liz reported that this was being closely monitored by Kathy Mount from ACERA as well.

**HEALTH CARE:** Upcoming Health Care Meeting to be held March 15, 2018. Mike Smart, Rosalie Masuda and Renaye Johnson will attend.

**ACTIVITIES:** Spring Luncheon will be today March 12, 2018 at 12:00 noon. The event is being held at the Fairview Metropolitan Golf Course. There will be an anticipated 128 attendees. Another great job by Rosalie Masuda. Thank you, Rosalie!

**MEMBERSHIP AND RECRUITMENT:** Jerry reported that there are currently 4118 members. He also reported that there was currently \$134.00 in the account for returned mail.

**REAC NEWS:** Information to be included: COLAs, CRCEA Information, Health Care Meeting updates, Website availability.

**OLD BUSINESS:** 2018 Goals and Objectives: Administrative Position, Paul to follow up with possible job duties to be covered.

**NEW BUSINESS:** There is no new business

**FOR THE GOOD OF THE ORDER:** There are no additional items.

Meeting was adjourned at 10:46 a.m.

*Respectfully submitted by Renaye Johnson  
for Paul Reeves, Board Secretary*

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### Next Meeting

April 9, 2018, 9:30 a.m. (REAC Board Meeting)

Health Care Services Agency  
Building, Room 242, 1000 San  
Leandro, CA

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### Congratulations On Your Retirement

**ALBURY, Arlene H.**  
Health Care Services Agency

**BEST, Ninita S.**  
Alameda Health System - DEF

**BLACKMORE, Clark L.**  
Probation

**BOTELHO, Lisa E.**  
Child Support Services

**DICKINSON, Barbara A..**  
Public Defender

**KWONG, Mark, C.**  
Social Services Agency

**LEAR, Paula J.**  
District Attorney

**LEE, Robert G.**  
Alameda Health System - DEF

**MORELOS, Luis M.**  
Alameda Health System

**ORNELAS, Maria J.**  
Alameda Health System

**PINE, Sallie L.**  
Library

**SIMMONS, Glen A.**  
DRO

**STOCKEL, Robert J.**  
Community Development Agency

**THOMAS, John C.**  
Alameda Health System - DEF

**WALTON, David M.**  
Social Services Agency

## In Memoriam

*In deepest sympathy to the family and friends of the following retirees:*

**BUTLER, Floyd L.**

Superior Court  
02/01/2018

**CHAPMAN, Lewis R.**

Community Development Agency  
02/08/2018

**CHUN, Mildred**

Non-Member Survivor of  
Ronald Chun  
02/22/2018

**COX, Rorbert E.**

District Attorney  
01/07/2018

**DE LEON, Prudencia**

Non-Member Survivor of  
Adriano De Leon  
01/31/2018

**DOMANTAY, Antonio S.**

Health Care Services Agency  
01/05/2018

**GERMAIN, Sharon A.**

Non-Member Survivor of  
Lillian Bryan  
02/14/2018

**HANSEN, Warren S.**

District Attorney  
02/15/2018

**HOIG, Harold D.**

Sheriff's Office  
02/20/2018

**HOWARD, JR., Nathan**

Probation  
01/29/2018

**JACKSON, Feloneice**

Alameda Health System  
01/29/2018

**LANDSWICK, Theodore T.**

District Attorney  
01/08/2018

**LAWRENCE, Leona**

Non-Member Survivor of  
Elven Lawrence  
11/18/2017

**LUCAS, Kelli R.**

Sheriff's Office  
02/08/2018

**MacATANGAY, Raul M.**

Alameda County Medical Center  
01/30/2018

**MARKERT, Lillian G.**

Superior Court  
02/11/2018

**Mc CRAY, RILEY A.**

Non-Member Survivor of  
Sandra Mc Cray  
01/15/2018

**Mc ELHINNERY, Frank D.**

Social Services Agency  
12/29/2017

**Mc RAE, Barbara**

Non-member Survivor of  
M C Mc Rae  
01/13/2018

**MILLAR, Marjorie E.**

Health Care Services Agency  
02/05/2018

**MORALES, REMEDIOS E.**

Non-Member Survivor of  
Agustin Morales Jr.  
01/20/2018

**MURASE, Thomas**

Alameda County  
12/13/2017

**NAKYAMA, Tsuneko**

Non-Member Survivor of  
John Nakayama  
02/06/2018

**NORDBAK, Catherine K.**

Health Care Services Agency  
05/17/2017

**PETTYJOHN, Donald C.**

Library  
12/23/2017

**ROBINOW, Nadia F.**

Assessor  
02/23/2018

**SMITH, Elizabeth M.**

Alameda Health System  
02/22/2018

**STONICH, Joan P.**

Non-Member Survivor of  
Rodney Stonich  
02/07/2018

**SUTTON, Nola L.**

Alameda County  
02/04/2018

**THIEL, John E.**

Alameda County  
06/04/2017

**TURNER, Alica A.**

Library  
02/18/2017

**WICHMANN, Barry**

Non-Member Survivor of  
Brian Cross  
02/04/2018

The surviving spouse of a member is eligible for REAC membership. To enroll, call Jerry Jacobs, membership chair, at (510) 835-5493.



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## REAC'S Mission

The purpose of the Retired Employees of Alameda County (REAC) is to promote the common good and general welfare of Alameda County retired employees, subject to the County Employees Retirement Act of 1937, by promoting the interests of its members throughout the community by means of social, political, and educational activities that advance the social welfare of such retirees.

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Alameda County Employees' Retirement Association (ACERA)  
475 14th St., Ste. 1000, Oakland, CA 94612

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