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DIRECTOR'S MESSAGE — MARY MILLER

The Fall Luncheon was well attended at the Metropolitan Golf Course in San Leandro. The weather was beautiful and the food was, once again, very good. Mark your calendars for March 11, 2019 for the Spring Luncheon and annual meeting.

Health Fair

The ACERA Health Fair was held in a new location this year at the Admiral DeWitt Officers Club in Alameda. It well attended this year, as in the past and informative. Workshops included Qi gong, Medicare 101, brain health and much more. A wide range of vendors provided a wealth of information on benefits, services and healthy living. And, of course, this was a place where retirees connected with each other. Thanks to all of you who stopped by the REAC table to chat and share your thoughts with us. It is open enrollment season so we should all take some time to review the information packets sent to us and make our choices for the coming year. As always, ACERA staff and Via Benefits are available to help.

See's Candy

We are once again happy to announce that REAC has renewed its participation in the See's Candies quantity discount program. This allows you to buy candies from See's quantity discount stores. However, if you buy a certificate at one of the discount stores you may redeem them at any See's location, with the exception of the airport kiosks. Two locations participating in the discounts are 1933 Davis Street in San Leandro, and 2380 Monument Blvd. in Pleasant Hill. To find other locations, go to www.sees.com/discountshops. Your discount is sponsored by REAC, so you will need to bring your REAC membership card.

ACERA Investment Report

ACERA reported in its September 2018 Performance Report that the fund has a loss of \$12,027,690. The total fund returned .10%. The total market value of the fund at the end of September was \$8,271,706,798.

REAC BOARD MEETINGS

November 13, 2018

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

December 10, 2018

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

<http://reacsite.org>
reacwebsite@gmail.com

ACERA TRUSTEES MEETINGS

November 8, 2018

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

December 13, 2018

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

www.acera.org

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

Daniel Aguilar
Jacqueline Blackstone
Arnel P. Camaya
Estella Harris
Tim Hui
Kathleen Pelayo
Cristina Sanchez-Ramos
David T. Savellano
Sonya Williams

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS, RETIRED EMPLOYEES OF ALAMEDA COUNTY, MONDAY, OCTOBER 8, 2018

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

Mary Miller, President of the Board, called the meeting to order at 9:30 A.M.

ROLL CALL: Mary Miller, Marian Breitbart, Paul Reeves, Rosalie Masuda, and Renaye Johnson were present. Michael Fara, ACERA staff member, Connie Land, REAC member, Dave Melander, REAC member, and Pete Albert, ACRE President were also present.

MINUTES: Minutes of the September 10, 2018 Board meeting were reviewed. A motion was made by Marian and seconded by Renaye that the minutes be approved as submitted. The motion was approved.

ANNOUNCEMENTS: There were no new announcements to report.

Reports

ACERA: Michael Fara gave his report on the October 3, 2018 Retirees Committee meeting. There was one action item and three information items. The action item was a presentation and possible acceptance of a Supplemental Retiree Benefit Reserve (SRBR) funding report/validation. Segal Consulting, ACERA's Actuary presented the annual Actuarial Valuation of the Other Post-Employment Benefits

(OPEB) and the Non-Other Post-Employment Benefits (Non-OPEB) provided by the SRBR as of December 31, 2017.

Last year it was reported that the SRBR fund for OPEB benefits would exhaust in 2039 and Non-OPEB benefits in 2034. The results of the December 31, 2017 valuation indicate that the terminal year of OPEB benefits is again projected to be 2039, with full benefits paid through 2038 for a total of 21 full years and one partial year. The terminal year of Non-OPEB benefits is projected to be 2038, with full benefits paid through 2037 for a total of 20 full years and one partial year.

The Retirees Committee voted to recommend to the Board of Retirement a motion to accept the December 31, 2017 Supplemental Retiree Benefit Reserve Actuarial Valuation prepared by Segal Consulting.

The first information item was a report on the additions and deduction to the SRBR for the six month period ending June 30, 2018. Total deductions were \$27,403,364 and total additions were \$45,135,766. The June 30, 2018 ending balance of the SRBR was approximately \$911.5 million.

The second information item was a final report on the final stages of preparing the communications pieces for ACERA's annual Open

Enrollment for the Plan Year 2019 as well as the Retiree Health and Wellness Fair. The Health and Wellness Fair will be held on Thursday, October 25, 2018 from 9:00 AM to 2:00 PM at the Albert H Dewitt Officers' Club in Alameda, CA. REAC will have an information table during the Health and Wellness Fair. Mary will staff it from 9-2, Marian plans on being there at around 9:30 and Renaye will try to be there sometime in the morning.

The targeted mailing date for the Open Enrollment packets was October 12, 2018. The Via Benefits Open enrollment period is October 15, 2018 through December 15, 2018. Group plan Open Enrollment will be November 1, 2018 through November 30, 2018.

The Via benefits plan effective date is January 1, 2019 and the ACERA group plan effective date is February 1, 2019.

The third information item was an update regarding the annual Medicare Part D Certification of Coverage Notice mailing and posting to ACERA's website and an update on Via Benefits. The Medicare Modernization Act (MMA) requires entities to annually notify Medicare eligible policyholders whether their prescription drug coverage is "creditable coverage", which means the coverage is expected to pay on average

as much as the standard Medicare prescription drug coverage.

The Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) requires all plan sponsors, such as ACERA, of health plans that provide prescription drug benefits to provide a Certificate of Creditable Coverage Notice to all plan participants prior to the Part D enrollment period. The Open enrollment period for Medicare Part D is from October 15, 2018 through December 7, 2018. ACERA will mail the Notice so that it is received prior to the October 15, 2018 deadline.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Mary presented REAC's September 30, 2018 Treasurer's Report. Receipts were \$7,691.70 and Disbursements were \$7,855.56. The only unusual disbursement was \$3,700.00 to Mr. Douglas Taylor, CPA, for REAC's Financial Review. The only unusual receipts were for \$3,000.00 member payments for the REAC Fall luncheon. Marian moved that the September 30, 2018 Treasurer's Report be approved as presented. Renaye seconded the motion and the motion was approved.

Mary also presented REAC's third quarter Annual Income and Expenses report for the period January 2018 through September 2018. Two errors were noted, January – December needed to be corrected to reflect January – September. In addition, there was an error in the amount reflected for the Spring Luncheon. Mary agreed to correct the report and send it out for the Boards review.

CRCEA: Connie reported that she will not be able to attend the CRCEA Conference. Renaye said that she would like to attend in Connie's place, if her schedule permitted. Paul moved that Renaye be approved to attend the CRCEA Conference and be reimbursed for her expenses if she was able to attend. Marian seconded the motion and the motion was approved. Rosalie will also be attending.

SACRS: Paul reported that he will not be able to attend SACR's Fall Conference. Liz will still be able to attend, the Conference which will be held November 13, 2018 thru November 16, 2018 at the Renaissance Indian Wells Resort in Indian Wells.

RETIREMENT BOARD: There was no additional information to report.

INVESTMENT COMMITTEE: There was no Investment Committee report.

HEALTH CARE: Rosalie reported that the new Flu shots, which are currently available, are more effective than previous shots. Kaiser currently has the new vaccine (Shingrix) available, but some locations can run out.

ACTIVITIES: Rosalie reported that everything was ready for today's luncheon, and it looks like there will be a very good turnout.

MEMBERSHIP AND RECRUITMENT: As of September 30, 2018 membership stood at 4114 members

REAC NEWS: The REAC Newsletter will also include information on the October Health Fair, ACERA's

Wellness Program, Open enrollment, and the See's candy discount.

OLD BUSINESS: Membership and possible dues increase. Paul agreed to draft a letter, for Board review and further discussion, to be sent to REAC members which would explain the need to increase the dues. He will also include some sort of "Opt Out" type checkbox which could be used to expedite the decision making process. ACERA staff will be providing some additional clarification at the next meeting.

NEW BUSINESS:

FOR THE GOOD OF THE ORDER: Dave Melander, member, took a moment and thanked the Board for all the work, effort, and support the Board provides for Alameda County retirees. He was very pleased and very thankful that the Board continues, year after year, to assist retirees.

Meeting adjourned at 11:30 a.m.

*Respectfully submitted by
Paul Reeves, Board Secretary*

Next Meeting

November 13, 2018, 9:30 a.m.
(Tuesday)

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

IN MEMORIAM

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

ALGA, Gene

General Services Agency
09/07/2018

AQUINO, Maria

Social Services Agency
01/07/2018

BEARD, Robert

Non member Survivor of Rosie
Beard
07/26/2018

BERMAN, Paul

Social Services Agency
06/03/2018

BLANKENSHIP, King

Probation
09/26/2018

BRITTO, Rosalind C.

Superior Court
06/01/2018

CENTER, Claudette

Sheriff's Office
08/28/2018

CLARK, Barbara

Superior Court
07/03/2018

COOPER, Norman

Probation
09/06/2018

CROSBY, Josephine

Alameda Health System
08/24/2018

GUICE, Georgie

Non member Survivor of Lew Guice
01/26/2018

HARRIS, Albert

General Services Agency
06/11/2018

HOPKINS, Marilyn

Non member Survivor of William
Hopkins
08/31/2018

HUYNH, Tran

Social Services Agency
08/23/2018

LAYTON, Carol

Superior Court
08/11/2018

LEIGHTON, Alan

Non member Survivor of
Erma Leighton
04/09/2018

MILLER, Henry

General Services Agency
05/18/2018

OLIVER, Naomi

Social Services Agency
08/11/2018

RALPH, Kathryn

Probation
03/09/2018

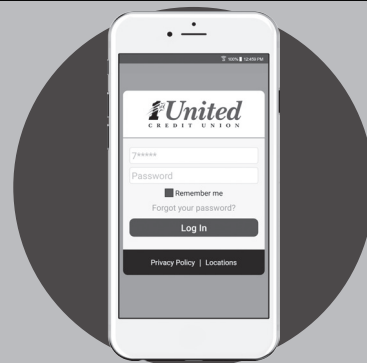
SERALIE, Elizabeth

Assessor
07/21/2018

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AGUILAR, Daniel R.
Public Works Agency

AGUILERA, Barbara L.
Public Works Agency

AMOROSO, Alexander J.
Community Development Agency

BERRY, Sheryl
Alameda Health System

BLACKSTONE, Jacqueline
Superior Court

BURGESS, Janine
Non-member

CABALLERO, Luis A.
Sheriff's Office

CALLAHAN, Joan E.
Sheriff's Office

CAMAYA, Arnel P.
Social Services Agency

CARTY, Miriam
Social Services Agency

CHEN, Ling
ACERA

CLAUDIO, Dennis Floro
Superior Court

DALISAY, Michael
Sheriff's Office

DARRIN, David K.
Sheriff's Office

DE JESUS, Lisa G.
Library

FAMULENER, Kathleen C.
District Attorney

FRANKILN-DRAKE, Sheila
Social Services Agency

FRAZIER, Alan T.
Probation

GARCIA, Remigio B.
Library

GOODMAN, Tuula S.
Sheriff's Office

HICKS, Jila B.
Probation

HOUTS, David W.
Health Care Services Agency

HUI, Tim
Health Care Services Agency

KARCHER, Stephen E.
Sheriff's Office

KHALIL, Samer
Information Technology

LEEPER, Shannon M.
Superior Court

LONGMIRE, Lynette
Alameda Health System

LU-YU, Mona D. Q.
Social Services Agency

MAY, Sue M.
Social Services Agency

MILLIGAN, Elizabeth E.
Social Services Agency

MORALES, Paula
Health Care Services Agency

NIKULAINEN, Heli T.
Alameda Health System

OSTINI, Robert R.
Superior Court

PLUMHOFF, Ray H.
Public Defender

RHEE, Chong Y.
Alameda Health System

RICKETTS, Thomas
Livermore Area Recreation and Park
District

SANCHEZ-RAMOS, Cristina
Library

SCOTT, Lisa M.
Social Services Agency

SEKHON, Gurdev
Alameda Health System

SIT, Kin T.
Alameda Health System

SUGARMAN, Michael G.
Alameda Health System

TOLIVER, Deloris J.
Social Services Agency

WILLIAMS, Valerie A.
Health Care Services Agency

WOLF, James C.
Superior Court



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