### **Minutes**

## Retired State Employees Association Board of Directors Meeting Meeting Conducted Via Virtual Communication May 21, 2020 – 12:30 p.m.

The meeting was called to order at 12:40 p.m. by President Bill Hamilton.

Board Members present: Bill Hamilton, Marie Moore, Tom Griebel, Denice Bettencourt, Eliza May, and Elena

Diaz.

Board Members Absent: Dona Medlock, Willie Piña

#### **Approval of Minutes**

Upon motion by Denice Bettencourt and second by Tom Griebel, minutes of the April 23, 2020 board meeting were approved as amended.

#### **Standing Committee Reports**

- a. Communications
- b. Membership
- c. Office Administration

Marie Moore discussed the above agenda items. The office had been closed since March 19; the office building was locked down beginning on March 25. Interior construction renovations were in process.

#### d. Legislative (including ERS meetings)

Bill Hamilton discussed the ERS Board of Trustees meeting held on May 20. The ERS Board received information related to the estimated rate of return on investments for a 20-30 year period. Porter Wilson (ERS Executive Director) discussed instructions for preparation of the ERS legislative appropriations request.

Mr. Hamilton made note of the announcement by the ERS Board of a change, effective January 1, 2021, from Humana Medicare Advantage to United Healthcare.

# Report on participation for Scholarships and/or Fellowship(s) in state public service at the LBJ School of Public Affairs, University of Texas at Austin

Tom Griebel announced the first \$10,000 installment had been sent to the University of Texas at Austin. The LBJ School of Public Affairs planned to coordinate publication of the fellowship through their website and a blog.

#### **Executive Session**

An executive session did not take place.

#### Other Issues for the Good of the Order

Discussion centered on planning for RSEA's annual meeting. Board members offered information about methods being used by other organizations to engage participants using various virtual platforms. A work session was scheduled to share additional research and development of an agenda.

No action was taken.

#### Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 2.27 p.m. upon motion by Elena Diaz and second by Denice Bettencourt.