

Retired State Employees Association Board Meeting
RSEA Offices -- 6901 N. Lamar Blvd., Suite 121
Austin, TX 78752-3530
February 18, 2016

The meeting was called to order at 1:34 p.m. by President Bill Hamilton.

Board members attending: Bill Hamilton, Marie Moore, Justine Martone, Tom Griebel, Diane Thomas, and Bill Dally.

Board members absent: Don Raschke, Willie Piña, Dan Van Cleve, Ed Dolzel, and Lillie Gilligan.

Guests attending: None.

Others attending: Sheila Moritz.

Open Forum

Minutes

The minutes for the January 21, 2016 board meeting were presented by Sheila Moritz. Bill Dally made a motion to approve the minutes as submitted and Diane Thomas seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Treasurer's Report

Tom Griebel presented the Treasurer's Report for January 2016. Upon motion by Marie Moore and second by Justine Martone, the January Treasurer's Report was unanimously accepted subject to audit.

Mr. Griebel reviewed the Dues and Expenses report and discussed membership data.

Executive Session

The board went into executive session at 1:52 p.m. and returned at 2:34 p.m. No action was taken.

Committee Reports **Communications**

In the absence of Don Raschke, Bill Hamilton reported that RSEA would begin sending "Capitol News" email notices to let members know that news articles will be available on the RSEA website.

Membership

Justine Martone noted the DAD's Wellness Fair is scheduled for April 20, 2016. Discussion followed regarding membership marketing and retention.

Office Administration

Marie Moore informed the board that Sheila Moritz would be taking a day of leave on March 7th.

The SSL certificate for the web site was expiring soon. Bill Dally made a motion to pay the renewal fee for the SSL certificate. After a second by Tom Griebel, the motion passed unanimously.

Marie Moore made a motion to order a supply of give-away pens. After a second by Tom Griebel, the motion was passed unanimously.

Insurance

No report.

Legislative

Bill Hamilton provided an update on the Sunset Commission review process relative to the ERS of Texas.

Bill Dally attended the February 11, 2016 Pension Review Board Meeting along with different members of Texans for Secure Retirement and the Texas Association of Public Employee Retirement Systems who were there to communicate to the new members of the Pension Review Board that their service will be closely monitored by all the associations.

Old Business

Marketing Plan, Tech Outreach and Scholarship

Diane Thomas spoke about coming up with a marketing plan that would include changes in RSEA's online presence. Some philanthropic efforts were suggested by Diane and Justine Martone.

Discussion and Possible Action to Approve Board Membership on Board Committees.

This issue will be addressed at the next board meeting.

Discussion and Possible Action to Appoint a Special Committee or Task Force to Work on Association Member Benefits Advisors with AMBA

This issue will be addressed at the next board meeting.

Review of Office Manager's Duties and Salary Increases

Bill Hamilton noted that the 2016 budget had been approved. Before the next board meeting, a performance review evaluation process for Sheila Moritz will be completed. Mr. Hamilton, Marie Moore and a third board member will meet with Ms. Moritz.

New Business

Texas Pension Review Board Meeting and Quorum Report

These items were discussed during the Legislative Report agenda item above.

Volunteer Recruitment

Bill Hamilton stated we had several new volunteers and wants to see if they could be part of our marketing program, our new member program, and/or the Capitol News program.

Adjourn

Justine Martone moved to adjourn the board meeting with a second by Bill Dally. The meeting was adjourned at 3:18 p.m.

Minutes taken and transcribed by Sheila Moritz, Office Manager.