Retired State Employees Association Board Meeting RSEA Offices -- 6901 N. Lamar Blvd., Suite 121 Austin, TX 78752-3530 March 17, 2016

The meeting was called to order at 1:33 p.m. by President Bill Hamilton.

Board members attending: Bill Hamilton, Marie Moore, Justine Martone, Tom Griebel, Diane Thomas, Don Raschke and Ed Dolzel.

Board members absent: Willie Piña, Dan Van Cleve, Bill Dally, and Lillie Gilligan.

Guests attending: None.

Others attending: Sheila Moritz.

Open Forum

Minutes

The minutes for the February 18, 2016 board meeting were presented by Sheila Moritz. Marie Moore made a motion to approve the minutes as amended and Tom Griebel seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Treasurer's Report

Tom Griebel presented the Treasurer's Report for February 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. Tom Griebel suggested that we do an updated audit. He will do some research on possible auditors and will report back at our next board meeting.

Committee Reports

Communications

Don Raschke discussed the email news blast system and methods for addressing returned emails.

Membership

Justine Martone noted the DAD's Wellness Fair scheduled for April 20, 2016. Diane Thomas volunteered to assist on that day.

Office Administration

Marie Moore made comments regarding the mailing of statements at the end of March. She planned to assist in preparation of the mailing.

Insurance

No report.

Legislative

No report.

Old Business

Marketing Plan, Tech Outreach and Scholarship

No action was taken.

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

No action was taken.

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

No action was taken.

Review of Office Manager's Duties and Salary Increases

No action was taken.

Texas Pension Review Board Meeting and Quorum Report

No action was taken.

New Business

Possible Foundation for RSEA

Justine Martone provided a document written by Diane Thomas regarding a foundation that could be similar to one in Indiana, in which members might solicit small amounts of funds to help pay utility bills. She asked that the board to consider whether it would be feasible for RSEA.

Perks Employee Discount Program

After the board discussed this issue, Marie Moore suggested that the committee liaison group that works with AMBA could research this program.

Possible Microwave Purchase

Tom Griebel made a motion, seconded by Justine Martone, to purchase a microwave for office use not to exceed \$150, dependent upon Tom's review of RSEA's insurance policy. The motion passed unanimously.

Annual Meeting Planning

This issue will be addressed at our next board meeting.

Discussion and Possible Action to Establish and Appoint a Committee to Work on Recruitment of Volunteers and Potential New Board Members

President Hamilton will appoint a committee to work on recruitment.

Discussion and Possible Action to Determine the Next "Capitol News" Item and/or Select Next Insert in Membership Renewal Letters

Possible topics were discussed. Bill Hamilton, Marie Moore, and Don Raschke will follow up.

Discussion and Possible Action to Join TEXPERS, Texas Association of Public Employee Retirement Systems

Marie Moore made a motion for RSEA to take steps to join TXPERS. Tom Griebal seconded the motion, and it was passed unanimously. Marie Moore will do some research and will report back to the board.

Update on Texas Sunset Review Process Relating to the Employees Retirement System of Texas

This issue was not addressed.

Executive Session

The board went into executive session at 2:56 p.m. and returned at 3:10 p.m. No action was taken.

Announcement: A longer meeting will be scheduled on April 21, 2016, with time and location to be announced.

Adjourn

Don Raschke moved to adjourn the board meeting with a second by Ed Dozel. The meeting was adjourned at 3:11 p.m.

Minutes taken and transcribed by Sheila Moritz, Office Manager.