

**Minutes
Retired State Employees Association
Meeting of Board of Directors
314 E. Highland Mall Blvd., Austin, TX 78752
March 22, 2018 – 12:30 p.m.**

The meeting was called to order at 12:35 p.m. by President Bill Hamilton.

Board Members in attendance: Bill Hamilton, Marie Moore, Willie Pina, Tom Griebel, Bill Dally, Don Raschke, Vic Holubec, Tim Sims

Board Members Absent:

Diane Thomas, Ed Dolzel and Dona Medlock

Others in Attendance

RSEA Staff: Jacque Duncan.

Approval of Minutes from Previous Meeting

Minutes for the February 15, 2018, regular monthly Board meeting were presented by Bill Hamilton. Tom Griebel made a motion to approve the minutes as submitted; Bill Dally seconded the motion; the motion passed unanimously.

Treasurer's Report and Related Financials

Treasurer's report and financial data for the months of January and February were distributed by Tom Griebel. Don Raschke made a motion to accept the report (subject to audit). With a second by Vic Holubec, the motion passed unanimously.

Standing Committee Reports

Communications – Don Raschke reported on the ongoing work related to 1) Direct Mail; 2) Email; and, 3) Website.

Membership – Don Raschke reported on the focus for 2018 on: 1) New Retirees 2) Active Employees 3) Member retention

Office Administration – Marie Moore noted Jacque Duncan's completion of one year of employment as Office Manager with RSEA. Marie stated other administrative matters would be addressed in subsequent agenda items.

Insurance and Annuities – There was general discussion about current status and trends.

Legislative (including ERS meetings) – Bill Dally and Tim Sims attended a recent ERS board meeting. They outlined reports presented and actions taken by the ERS board at that time.

Discussion and possible action related to the 2018 RSEA Annual Meeting

Marie Moore moved to set October 4, 2018 for the RSEA Annual Meeting at the Williamson Conference Center at the Wingate Hotel in Round Rock, Texas. Willie Pina seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Discussion and reports from Strategic Planning and Renewal Project Groups

Mr. Hamilton expressed appreciation for initial efforts made toward various projects related to RSEA's 40th year of renewal.

Membership Outreach – discussion and possible action

Tom Griebel made a motion to move forward with a direct mailing to persons who retired through the ERS during calendar years 2015, 2016, and 2017. Willie Pina provided a second; the motion passed unanimously.

Don Raschke and Marie Moore described document preparation and other procedures that were underway and/or required for the direct mailing project.

Don Raschke provided dates and locations for ERS retirement seminars where RSEA can participate. Don asked for volunteers to attend and set up RSEA's information table.

Marie Moore made a motion to set up financial systems to accept credit card payments for membership dues. A second was made by Tim Sims and the motion passed unanimously.

Communications Updates and possible actions including Newsletter, Website and other media

As noted by Bill Hamilton and Marie Moore, newsletter preparations continue.

Don Raschke discussed the options of updating our website with an outside source vs. support from Go Daddy. Additional details for action decisions will be provided at the April 19 board meeting.

Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 2:30 p.m.