

**Chabot Las Positas Association of Retired Employees  
Board Meeting  
March 24, 2014**

**MINUTES**

Present: Dick Albert, Clyde Allen, Linda Barde Zimmerling, Helen Bridge, Shannon Christiansen, Gay Connor, Tom Gerrits, Rachel Maldonado Aziminia, JoAnne Neu, Sophie Rheinheimer, Chet Rhoan, Dee Roshong, Art Tenbrink, Bill Threlfall, Sharon Trethan, Bob Wiseman

**CALL TO ORDER**

Rhoan called the meeting to order at 11:05 a.m.

**APPROVAL OF DECEMBER 6, 2014 MINUTES**

**M/S/P (Wiseman/Allen) to approve the December 6, 2013 minutes.**

**REPORTS**

**Treasurer's Report**

Trethan distributed and reviewed the Treasurer's Report. She reported that each CARE member's annual luncheon meal was subsidized in the amount of three dollars. To date \$880 in dues have been collected.

**Communication Director Report**

Threlfall reported that the traffic on the CARE website remains the same and the pages most frequently visited are the directory, homepage and history project. The directory remains steady at 190. Although AOL, Comcast, and Earthlink are putting up blocks on shared hosting, this has affected only a few of CARE members' ability to receive CARE Directory email.

Threlfall distributed and reviewed the CARE Newsletter assignments and timeline. Tenbrink volunteered to write a board autobiography. Christiansen is replacing Isabel Polvorosa as the Chabot representative. Threlfall appealed to board members to contribute to the retiree news article; Barde Zimmerling and Wiseman will contribute. All articles are due May 12.

**CARE Fund**

Allen reported that the CARE fund monies are managed by the District Foundation and at the end of June 30, 2013, there was \$37,172 in the account. Last year the CARE fund donated \$1,500 to the CARE grants. These grants are for projects that the District does not finance.

Donations to the CARE fund are tax deductible. Gerrits recommended that this be announced to Chabot and Las Positas Colleges staff because individuals may want to contribute if they were aware that donations are tax deductible.

### **Las Positas Report**

Rheinheimer welcomed Las Positas representatives Roshong and Tenbrink to the board. The building phase has been completed and now LPC is in the hiring phase. Last year Dr. Barry Russell was hired as president. Because of increased funding, faculty and classified staff are being hired.

### **District Report**

Trethan welcomed District representative Gerrits to the board. She reported District Board packets are being emailed to the trustees and will provide a cost saving. Chancellor Jackson and Chabot President Sperling did not respond to CARE's invitation to the annual luncheon; Las Positas College President Russell did respond, but was not able to make the luncheon.

### **Chabot College Report**

Christiansen reported that hiring is going at Chabot and renovation of several buildings such as the cadaver room, physical education and science. The president's office has moved from Building 200 to Building 400. There are twelve retirees and the retiree reception will be held on May 7.

### **Social Activities Report**

Conner reported that the 2014 annual luncheon was a success. Sixty-nine paid for the luncheon although there were six or seven no shows. At the next board meeting, Bridge would like to discuss the number of gifts to raffle. The contract for the 2105 luncheon has been signed with the San Ramon Country Club and CARE must guarantee fifty-six attendees. The cost of the meal is \$25.

### **Directors Report**

No reports.

### **Vice President Report**

Bridge reported that the next meeting of the Proposition B Citizen Bond Oversight Committee is April 23. Director Doug Horner made a presentation on the Proposition B to the Board of Trustees and reported that four million dollars had been earned from the bond's investments. Las Positas College's solar panels pay for more than half of its electrical bill.

### **President Report**

Rhoan provided a brief legislative report. State budget allocation for higher education is in excess of \$600 million and a good portion will go to the community colleges and can be used to hire full-time faculty. Also it includes proposals to strengthen The Rainy Day Fund, to improve basic skills classes, and to improve transfer rates.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

#### **CARE Grants**

Rheinheimer reported that an email about the June due date of the summary

report has been sent to grant awardees. Las Positas College awardees have purchased their items and are please with their acquisitions.

Threlfall reported that after three years of Rheinheimer's leadership he will be the chair of the CARE Grant committee. The committee membership consists of the chair, District CARE fund representative (Allen), CARE President (Rhoan), and representatives from Chabot and Las Positas. Albert will serve as the Chabot representative and Roshong, Las Positas. Barde Zimmerling, Bridge, and Trethan will assist with publicity.

Threlfall reviewed process and steps of the CARE Grant committee. The current schedule of announcing the availability of the grants will continue and this occurs largely in the fall and by email. These grants will be available to Chabot College, Las Positas College, and District staff.

**M/S/P (Trethan/Threlfall) that \$2,500 from the CARE operational funds be allocated to the 2014-15 CARE grants.**

**M/S/P (Barde Zimmerling/Bridge) that \$2,000 from the CARE funds be allocated to the 2014-15 CARE grants.**

Barde Zimmerling volunteered to speak to Karen Silva about presenting the CARE grant winners at Convocation because she believes that CARE should be recognized for its contribution to the colleges and district.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

The Chabot College Retiree Reception will be held on Wednesday, May 7, at 11:30 a.m.

#### **NEXT MEETING DATE**

The next meeting date is July 21, 2014 at 11:00 a.m.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 12:45 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted  
Rachel Maldonado Aziminia