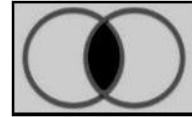




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Mary McCann, Secretary

Minutes of Board of Directors' Meeting, July 14, 2020

Attendees: Arthur Aznavorian, David Bayer, Nino Diianni, John Flynn, Elizabeth Foote, Mary Ann Hall, Eva Karger, Erika Kliem, Mary McCann, Jim Micheson, George Murray, Bill Rosen, Robert Ruckstuhl and, Eric Thorgerson

Absent: Larry Chelmow and Ed Wade

Call to Order: President Elizabeth Foote – The meeting via Skype was called to order by Elizabeth Foote at 10:08AM.

Because of the uncertainty caused by the Covid19 virus, and the flexibility of having BOD meetings by Skype, it was agreed that we would have a BOD meeting on August 11th.

Rolling Calendar Review: - The Rolling calendar was presented by John Flynn, and found to be up to date.

Secretary's Report: - The Secretary's report was accepted by the Board.

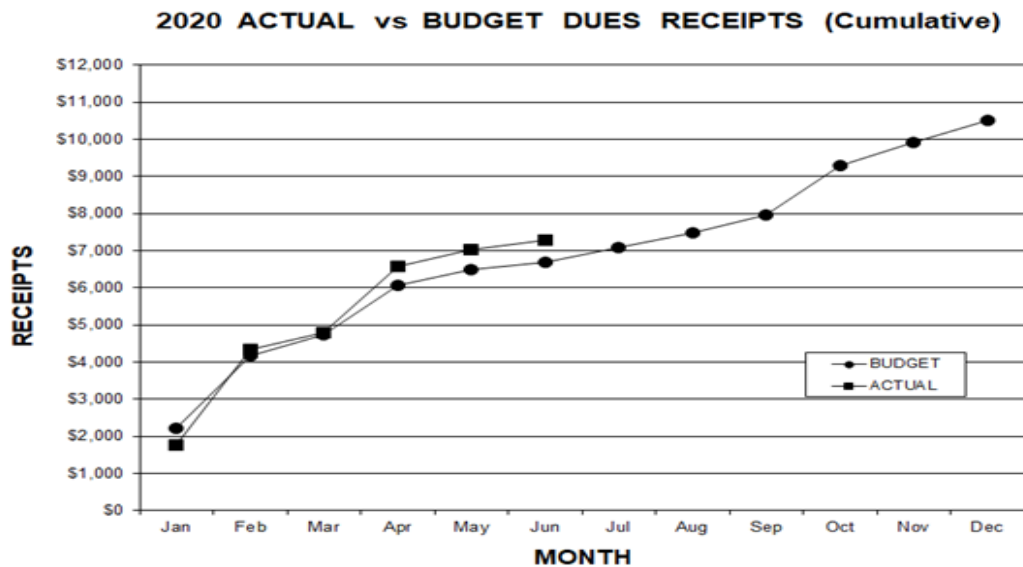
Treasurer's Report: - Nino Dilanni reported that he did not issue a financial report for June 2020 but issued the short note below:

“For the month of June,2020, I did not issue a financial report.

There was only \$307 received from dues and interest income, and postage expense of \$305.

I will issue a financial statement for the month of July.”

Membership Committee: - Bob Ruckstuhl reported dues receipts were on track.



Committee Reports:

Condolences: - Maryann Hall reported that one name was added to the condolences list this month: Marie Madeiros, who worked at 640 Memorial Drive, Ames Street, and Norwood.

October Meeting: - Lantana Report: David Bayer reported that he had spoken with a Lantana representative (not the usual representative) and was told that the number of people at a gathering would be limited to 25, including the wait staff. There would be no Bar available, and masks would be necessary when not at dinner.

There would be no fee for cancellation of our scheduled event.

The BOD voted to cancel the October luncheon with no plans to reschedule. Bob Ruckstuhl will send out an Email blast to that effect and Jim Mitcheson will return the checks to those who have paid for the luncheon.

Possible Alternatives for PRA Annual Meeting: - In lieu of the business portion of the October Members' Meeting, the Q4 Newsletter will contain short reports of May 2019 - May 2020 business from the Treasurer and Secretary as well as the Audit and Membership Committee Chairs. There will be descriptions of the Board Members up for reelection and directions for submitting approval or disagreement.

Revised Operating Procedures: Since the May Luncheon was not held because of the Covid-19 epidemic, the PRA annual meeting did not take place as scheduled. Elizabeth asked first VP Arthur Aznavorian to draft a proposal for a change in operating procedures. The following is Arthur's proposal, circulated to the board by email prior to the meeting:

" I would propose another change to our operating procedures, when the annual business meeting cannot be held for extenuating circumstances - calling for replacing the annual business meeting with an approach calling for:

1) Posting the various annual reports (treasurer's, secretary's and auditor's) in the newsletter closest to the date of the annual business meeting (October) and asking for any corrections/additions to be submitted by email to the Board President within ten days for consideration of the PRA Board at their next regular meeting.

2) Likewise, the newsletter will include the names of six members of the PRA who have been selected by the PRA Board to serve on the Board for three-year terms. That posting may also include the names of any other prospective candidates proposed by the Board to fill current openings on the Board. Again, members may respond to the posting by email with any objections to the chosen candidates; or with any additional candidates they feel should be considered.

3) The Board, at its next regular meeting, will consider any proposed revisions to posted reports or lists of candidates and take appropriate actions."

These proposals were accepted by the board. Arthur will incorporate them into the Current Operating Procedures of the PRA and circulate the updated Operating Procedures

Mailing for Lost Members

200 of the most recent members whose membership in the PRA was terminated for reasons of nonpayment of their dues will be sent a letter and a prepaid postage postcard questionnaire designed to help the BOD to better understand their reason(s) for leaving the PRA. Three companies with the capability to print and mail the letter and questionnaire postcard were studied and the decision was made to go with Fenway Group, the company that currently prints and mails our Newsletter. The cost to print and mail the letter and questionnaire will be approximately \$575. Jim Mitcheson and Bob Ruckstuhl will draft the cover letter and George Murray and Erica Kliem will draft the questionnaire. The letter and questionnaire will be reviewed at the August BOD meeting and sent out shortly thereafter.

35th Celebration Update: John Flynn circulated a list of suggestions for the event. Currently, due to Covid-19, the main focus is on the May 2021 Luncheon.

Suggestions for a Program at Lantanas included:

Picture display of past meetings,

Polaroid product display (historical or the new Polaroid?)

Proseco Toast,

Videos such as Land's long walk, the Edwin Land Story, Videos made for Prior Anniversary celebrations, - Audio-visual equipment for any of these items is rented through Lantana's AV service.

The possibility of making a charitable donation was discussed, but might not be appropriate if the luncheon is funded by the Credit Union, as has been the case in the last few years.

Other venues were mentioned:(wineries, Tower Hill). If Covid -19 still a factor, an outside event might be necessary

Newsletter: - September 15th is the deadline for the Newsletter to go to the printer. Bob will generate the list of names of the 63 people who are two years behind in their dues. They would receive their Newsletter by first class mail with a letter that reminded them that they are about to stop receiving the Newsletter if their dues are not brought up to snuff.

Nominating Committee: The Committee has the following Nominees:

First V.P.: Arthur Aznavorian, Second V.P.: John Flynn, President: Ed Wade

Adjournment A motion was made, seconded, and approved unanimously to adjourn at 11:58 AM.

Respectfully submitted by Mary McCann

Future Meeting Dates August 11

DIRECTORS: ALL ON SKYPE 10:00AM – 11:30AM, 8/11/20

MEMBERS LUNCHEONS: *October 21, 2020 cancelled, May 19, 2021*