

**RETIRED STATE EMPLOYEES ASSOCIATION (RSEA)**  
**MINUTES of ANNUAL MEETING - October 3, 2019**

The 2019 Annual Meeting was held at the Wingate Williamson Conference Center in Round Rock, Texas. The meeting was called to order at 9:30 a.m. by President William C. (Bill) Hamilton.

President Hamilton led the membership in reciting the United States Pledge of Allegiance and the Texas Pledge of Allegiance. A moment of silence was observed.

President Hamilton recognized the following attendees: military veterans, legislators or their staff, public officials, former and current ERS board members, and former and current RSEA board members. A warm welcome was offered to former State Representative Warren Chisum.

Porter Wilson, Executive Director of the Employees Retirement System, provided a legislative update and responded to questions from members.

Sponsors were acknowledged: Association Member Benefits Advisors (AMBA), Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Texas, and UnitedHealthcare. The following exhibitors were introduced: ERS, Greater Texas Credit Union, Humana, Public Employees Credit Union, Texas DPS Credit Union, Superior Vision Services, Delta Dental, U. S. Census, CASA of Travis County, Health and Human Services Commission-Aging Services.

A panel of three speakers presented timely information about “managing senior affairs” titled as follows:

*Common Estate Planning Mistakes* - Melissa Donovan, Director of Elder Law & Special Needs, The Wiewel Law Firm

*TexaSaver Asset Allocation* - Jennifer Preston, Financial Planner, Empower Retirement

*Last Rights* - Nancy Walker, Executive Director, Funeral Consumers Alliance of Central Texas

Two additional topics were:

*Staying Engaged* - Chelsea Couch, Statewide Texercise Program Coordinator, Health and Human Services Commission

*2020 Census in Texas* - Susan Walch, Partnership Specialist, U.S. Census, U.S. Department of Commerce

State Representative Ana Hernandez was honored by presentation of the Senator A.M. Aikin Memorial Retired State Employees Association Public Service Award. Her acceptance remarks were appreciated by members.

**Annual RSEA Business Meeting**

A motion was made by Herbert Grubb to dispense with the reading of the minutes in their entirety and accept them as written. The motion was seconded by Larry Nuckels and passed unanimously.

President Hamilton presented the 2018 Calendar Year Treasurer’s Report. Ed Seidenburg moved to accept the Treasurer’s Report for 2018 as presented, subject to audit. A second to the motion was offered by Barbara Nuckels. The motion passed unanimously.

Elena Diaz, Chair of the Nominating Committee, presented the following slate of four nominees to serve from January 1, 2020 through December 31, 2021: William C. (Bill) Hamilton (President), William M. “Willie” Piña (Second Vice President), Denice Bettencourt (Director), and Eliza May (Director). Mary Lou Gibson made a motion to adopt the Nominating Committee’s Nomination Report by acclamation; with second by Larry Nuckels. The motion passed unanimously. Those elected were: William C. (Bill) Hamilton (President), William M. “Willie” Piña (Second Vice President), Denice Bettencourt (Director), and Eliza May (Director).

A barbeque lunch catered by It’s All Good Bar-B-Q was provided. Door prizes were drawn throughout the meeting. After all door prizes were awarded, the meeting adjourned at 1:55 p.m.

William C. (Bill) Hamilton  
President