

Minutes
Retired State Employees Association
Board of Directors Meeting
Meeting Conducted Via Virtual Communication
June 18, 2020 – 12:30 p.m.

The meeting was called to order at 12:45 p.m. by President Bill Hamilton.

Board Members present: Bill Hamilton, Marie Moore, Tom Griebel, Denice Bettencourt, Eliza May, Elena Diaz, Dona Medlock, and Willie Piña.

Approval of Minutes

Upon motion by Elena Diaz and second by Eliza May, minutes of the May 21, 2020 board meeting were approved.

Standing Committee Reports

- a. **Communications**
- b. **Membership**
- c. **Office Administration**

Marie Moore discussed the above agenda items. The office had been closed since March 19; the office building was locked down beginning March 25. Mailing of dues statements to members would be delayed.

d. Legislative (including ERS meetings)

Bill Hamilton briefly outlined information from a briefing that followed the May 20 ERS Board of Trustees meeting. He had provided testimony on May 20 regarding the ERS board making a revision to the projected rate of return on investments, and other assumptions for the future. ERS staff later requested Mr. Hamilton to provide a written copy of his remarks.

Planning for RSEA Annual Meeting

Board members had participated in virtual work sessions. The annual business meeting and conference would be virtual on September 24. A tentative agenda had been developed. Another work session was scheduled for July 3.

Open Discussion

Tom Griebel announced the first \$10,000 installment on the scholarship at the LBJ School of Public Affairs had been sent to the University of Texas at Austin. The LBJ School of Public Affairs planned to coordinate publication of the fellowship through their website and a blog. The funds would be allocated to four students prior to the Fall 2020 semester.

Executive Session

An executive session did not take place.

Other Issues for the Good of the Order

Discussion centered on planning for RSEA's annual meeting. Board members offered information about methods being used by other organizations to engage participants using various virtual platforms. A work session was scheduled to share additional research and development of an agenda.

No action was taken.

Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 1:50 p.m. upon motion by Tom Griebel and second by Denice Bettencourt.