

ACRE
General Membership Meeting
April 15, 2015

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 am by President Mike Lee

The **opening prayer** was given by Vice President Richard McBryde, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Vice President's Report. Richard McBryde. Commented on the brochure from Liberty Mutual Insurance that was mailed to all retirees, saying that discounts for all types of insurance needs are available.

Treasurer's Report by Jim Nichols. The treasurer's report was presented to the membership. A copy of his report is on file in the ACRE office and is available for review.

Legal Advisor, Clyde Keenan.

1. Most retirees have received dependant audit papers from the city. The bottom line is that you need to fill out the information and send it back in. If you do not send the audit forms back in the city can take action against you.
2. Clyde reports that the lawsuit is still pending.
3. ACRE is a "not for profit" organization nor a charitable organization and there are no restrictions on forming a political action committee.

IT / Public Relations Report Mike Lee introduced Dennis Pope who will be the assistant IT person to Tim Cook. In the absence of Tim Cook, Dennis Pope presented the report. A copy of Tim Cooks report is available.

Dennis reported that ACRE board of directors voted to shut down the ACRE Facebook Group Page until further notice.

Pension Oversight Committee, Dan Melancon. As of the end of February \$2.227 billion in the pension fund. It is 88.1% funded. The next pension board meeting is April 30 and it will cover the month of March.

Membership Committee, Darrell White and Doug Sanders. Darrell asked members to keep their dues up to date and try to encourage other retirees to join. Darrell advised that ACRE still have shirts available and the proceeds go toward the legal fund.

Healthcare Oversight Committee, Francis Bradley.

1. The BMI audit has been extended to May 30th.
2. Any questions regarding the BMI audit, call 877-634-7780
3. It is important to read all information from CIGNA.
4. CIGNA is requiring pre-certification on some tests and procedures. If you are "in network" it is the responsibility of the doctor. If "out of network" it is the patient's responsibility.

5. When talking to CIGNA or benefits office, make sure you get the name of the person you talk to and the date and time.

It should be noted that Mike Lee recognized the president of MPA, Mike Williams, and was allowed to address the members concerning the up-coming election.

Comments from the President, Mike Lee.

1. We need to remember that Cigna is a 3rd party administrator for the city.
2. PharmMD is an optional program when a pharmacist reviews your medication with you.
3. Important to know the difference between being "admitted for observation" and "admitted an "in patient."
4. Pre 65 line of duty disability retirees have been grandfathered into the city insurance with the 70/30 split in premium.
5. Post 65 with A & B will continue to receive the 25% subsidy.
6. If you retire after 1/1/2014 and qualify for A & B, you must sign up or the city will only pay 20% of the bill.
7. Segal is conducting a healthcare audit for the city council.
8. Mike reminded the membership that Francis Bradley is the chairman of the ACRE healthcare committee and if there is a question or problem, he should be contacted.
9. Mike introduced Sonja Holly, who is going to get involved in the board of directors in a yet to be named capacity.

It should be noted that this was an informational meeting and no motions were presented.

The closing prayer was offered by Jim Nichols.

Respectfully,

John M. Johnson, Secretary