

A.C.R.E. MONTHLY MEETING MINUTES SEPTEMBER 19, 2012

10:00 a.m. Board Meeting

President Wainscott opened the meeting with a prayer for Francis Bradley and his family. He asked the Treasurer to get flowers for the family.

He then prior to the minutes of the last meeting being approved amended those by changing the title **from Election Committee to Nominating Committee**. It was decided to advise the membership at the October meeting who the Nominating Committee had selected and give the membership the chance to make other nominations if they wanted. The election would be at the November 21st meeting. Those elected would take office at the January 2013 meeting.

Donne Walden made motion to accept amended minutes, second by **Tim Cook** Approved by board.

President Wainscott they advised the Board that he was not seeking election to President, he stated he has enjoyed all his years working for ACRE and did want to be active on the Board as Past President.

Vice President Gary James advised the Board he not seeking re-election but would like to remain active.

Insurance Committee Mike Lee presented Francis Bradley's report advising that the Mattingly Ambulance bill of \$745 had been paid by Richard Mattingly to protect his credit. Now Cigna has realized the service that moved his wife from the hospital to the rehabilitation was in fact an in Network and Cigna paid them the \$400 agreed to in the contract. Now Richard is waiting for a refund on his \$745. Francis wanted everyone to avoid paying these contested bills if at all possible until final resolution. He also wanted Mike to tell everyone to carefully read the Healthcare Packet information they receive.

Legal Advisor Clyde Keenan was out today and asked Mike Lee to advise the board that he is actively working on the upcoming Disability Audit. He met last week with the MFFA and MPA and their attorneys to discuss the issues. More will come later.

Secretary Lee had no new information.

Dan Melancon ACRE Pension Observer stated he had nothing new there was still \$1.9 billion plus in the funds. Next Pension Board meeting is Thursday September 27 at 9 a.m. on the 5th floor City Hall.

Treasurer Nichols August 22 to September 19 report motion to accept by Tim Cook, second by Bob McCulley and approved by the Board. He asked for a consensus on sending a wreath of flowers or a live plant. The Board felt a live plant would be better.

Public Relations/Webmaster Cook Out of 1250 newsletters mailed out only 15 have come back as undeliverable. This means our list has gotten much more accurate. Emails are up from 331 to 370. A lot is going on with Healthcare and Pensions issues and he will put the most accurate and pertinent information he has on the web site as soon as he gets it.

Chaplain Jimmy Smith stated how sorry he was for what Francis was going through and wanted all of us to remember him and his family during these times. He said he had chosen Francis for his Chief of Administration when he was Director, and there was no finer man.

Board Member Pat Adams Advised that the Air wing Emergency Services offered a plan for \$60 a year so if you had to be air evacuated from an accident scene you would not be hit with a high bill. He was asked to look into it and bring literature to the October meeting for the membership.

At 10:45 am President Wainscott adjourned the meeting until 12 noon.

12 Noon General Meeting

President Wainscott had Chaplain Smith open the meeting with a prayer and the pledge. He then advised the membership of the sadness of what Francis and his family were going through and asked for a moment of silence for them.

Pearl Gibson

The President then introduced the Director and Deputy Director of Human Resources and turned the meeting over to Pearl Gibson of benefits. Open Enrollment booklets were handed out to the 72 members in attendance and Pearl went through the booklet page by Page.

Open Enrollment Monday Oct 8, 2012 through Friday October 19, 2012

If you are making no changes you do not have to do anything.

If you are making any changes such as adding or dropping vision, or dental, adding a new spouse, removing a spouse for any reason then you must submit a new notarized affidavit with require additional paperwork such as a birth certificate for adding a child, marriage license for adding a new spouse, death certificate to remove someone who has died.

You can enroll at 2714 Union Ave Ext, 4225 Riverdale, 125 N. Main. On line, by fax. All affidavits must be notarized whether sent by mail or brought in person.

To remove spousal surcharge for her company insurance must submit the affidavit and a certificate from her company showing she/he is covered. If the spouse has lost her coverage the affidavit with a letter from the spouse's company stating they no longer provide insurance to the spouse must be submitted.

Everything she covered came directly out of the City Booklet for this Open Enrollment.

Director Robinson reminded everyone that the City Health Clinic was open to retirees. It is by appointment on Monday, Wednesday, Friday from 9 am to 1 pm .

Regular Meeting

After the City representatives left at 1 pm the same issues covered in the Board meeting was gone over for the membership.

At 1:30 pm President Wainscott closed the meeting until October 17, 2012.

Motion to accept by: Robert McCulley

2nd by: Tim Cook

Approved by Board: Yes