AFSCME Retiree Chapter 4041 Meeting Minutes February 16, 2016

Attendees- President Charlie Muller, Vice President- Roger Bremner, Treasurer Mike Hoffman, Fred and Steve Suwe, TBird NARA President, JoEtta Brown ARA Executive Vice President ARA, (CAN) Rita and Ben Weisshaar, Sue Bird NARA

South- Laura and Ray Leavitt, Tom Young, Lalo Macias, Deb Berko, AFSCME Retiree Organizer

Meeting was called to order by President Muller at 10:10 am with the pledge of allegiance

Minutes were shared in the Senior Moments; President Muller asked if there were any omission or corrections, hearing none Steve made a motion to approve, 2nd by Roger

Officer Reports:

* President
  + First in the West Dinner at the CVI in Minden was a success; it was at capacity with 330 tickets sold, had great speakers, and was well received
  + Bulk permitted 11k Envelopes with old address will be recycled due to cost $1.80 for returns
    - Will research purchase process in future
  + Shared email on Towers-Watson One exchange issue for Gail Milne’s friend
    - Action-Will request Gail to write letter to be sent to 2-19-16 NV PERS Meeting
* Vice President/Political Director
  + Stress Membership—
    - Compose outreach letter
      * Send to employees before retirement to raise awareness issues
      * List accomplishments and goals
      * Include self-address stamped envelope(SASE)
      * Include brochure created with International’s helps
      * Target active and RPEN members
        + RPEN may have an agreement for membership with PERS
        + Target members from 15 to 20 years of service
      * Membership $5 per month
      * Process to keep up with members
    - Enrolled 100+/- members last year
  + Death of Justice Scalia may favorably affect Friedrichs vs California Teachers Union for Unions
  + Interview of candidates week of March 3-18th
    - Las Vegas and North
    - Coordination
* Treasurer
  + Due and payable
    - Surety Bond
    - Secretary of State annual filing of officers
    - Up to date
  + Motion by Roger to accept, 2nd by Steve

Laura Leavitt’s report

* Represented AFSCME retirees in numerous events
  + PEB meeting concerning Blue Cross Blue Shield
  + 1-12-16 Raise the Wages NV AFL-CIO summit-successful
  + 1-20-16 Medicare Privatizations with Lalo-state could lose 1K jobs
  + 1-23-16 Rueben Kihuen CD-4 AFSCME event
  + 1-26-16 Dem County Meeting on Caucus
  + 1-30-31-16 Progressive Summit at UNLV on progress going forward
  + 2-13-16 AFCME Henderson Rally, had lunch with AFSCME International President Lee Saunders, State President???? at Painter’s Union hall
* Been working at the Chandler office on Hillary Postcards and registration
  + Ray helped, too
* Thursday 2-18-16 is Caucus Party
* Friday 2-19-16 First in the West Dinner

Lead Organizer

* Thanked everyone at AFCEME Local 4041 for the warm welcome
* She is ready to get the green machine working again
* Will continue as Southern Nevada CLC Secretary-Treasurer

Fred

* Concerns on caucus captain roll
* Can and will count people
* Did not receive adequate training

Steve

* Discussion on robo colls
  + Gathering info in support of Bernie
  + Can be linked to conference calls
  + Numerous organizations making calls so they overlap

NARA President

* NARA does not endorse Federal Candidates
  + ARA Endorses Federal Candidates
  + Remains neutral until after the primary
* Will start endorsement process after the Primaries
  + Questionnaire to all candidates
  + Interviews in south and north
* Important to vote
* Important not to be divided
* Important to elect people that will protect seniors
* Must not be divided must vote
  + Encourage younger voters to stay in process

Lola

* Recruiting Precinct captains
  + Need phone bankers both north and south
* Stresses need for unity
* Need large turnout for caucuses
  + Nevada receives attention and influx of people
* Candidates have strong experience
  + Need to fight for working families
  + Support pensions

ARA Executive VP

* ARA Western Conference March 8&9th
* Tropicana in Las Vegas
* Charlie, Laura and Roger attending

Lobbyist Report

* Submitted via email
* Excused on Medical leave

Michael will attend 2-18-19 PERS meeting

No one to attend 2-19-16 PERS meetings

AFSCME International Convention July 16-22 Westgate, Convention Blvd Las Vegas

* Full convention attendees-Charlene, Laura, Roger (Delegate) confirmed-Frank ?
* Retiree 16-17th-Fred, Sandra?

NV-AFL-CIO 2016 Friends of the Working Families Awards Dinner

* April 1st, Luxor Hotel Las Vegas
* Moved by Roger and 2nd by Steve to purchase a $250 ad
* Charlie and Roger to create ad

Next E-Board meeting 3-3-16 l: 00 PM

General Membership Meeting 4-5-16 10 AM

Adjourned at 11:36 Motion by Steve 2nd by Roger

Respectfully Submitted

Sue Bird

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