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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