

Memorandum

MEETING DATE

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AGENDA ITEM

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Date: February 13, 2013

To: Board of Retirement
Marilyn Leedom, Retirement Chief Executive Officer

From: Karen Levy, General Counsel

Subject: Recognition of Retiree Organizations Pursuant to G.C. Section 31471.5

Background

CCCERA has for some years authorized deductions from retiree checks for various purposes as authorized by statute. (Govt. Code § 31452.5.) As previously discussed, effective January 1, 2013, deductions may also be authorized for payments to a "recognized retiree organization." Newly enacted Government Code Section 31471.5 defines a "recognized retiree organization" to mean "an organization in which a majority of the members of the organization are retired members of the system and which the board, upon request, has approved recognition."

CCCERA staff has requested information from existing groups of CCCERA retired members and is recommending that the Board formally approve their recognition as retiree organizations under to Government Code Section 31471.5. We have enclosed correspondence received from the organizations.

The retiree organizations are:

- Retiree Support Group of Contra Costa County
- AFSCME Retirees Chapter 57 Sub Local 142-11
- AFSCME Retirees Chapter 57 Sub Local 142-100
- Contra Costa County Retired Employees Association

Recommendation

Formally approve the recognition of the following retiree organizations as "recognized retiree organizations" under Government Code Section 31471.5:

- Retiree Support Group of Contra Costa County
- AFSCME Retirees Chapter 57 Sub Local 142-11
- AFSCME Retirees Chapter 57 Sub Local 142-100
- Contra Costa County Retired Employees Association



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"Protecting the Earned and Promised Rights and Benefits
of Contra Costa's Public Retirees"

November 26, 2012

Ms. Marilyn Leedom
Employees' Retirement Association
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Dear Ms. Leedom:

In response to your letter of November 20, 2012, as Chairman of the Retiree Support Group of Contra Costa County I am requesting that the CCCERA Board of Retirement approve the recognition of the Retiree Support Group of Contra Costa County as a "recognized retiree organization" as defined by the County Employees Retirement Law of 1937, Government Code Section 31471.5. We confirm that the majority of the members of Retiree Support Group of Contra Costa County are retired members of CCCERA.

Thank you for bringing this matter to our attention, and working with us to help the retirees of CCCERA. I look forward to continuing to work with you and your staff.

Sincerely,

Ellis Patterson
Chairman
Retiree Support Group of Contra Costa County



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December 5, 2012

Ms. Marilyn Leedom, Retirement CEO
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RE: Request for Formal Recognition

Dear Ms. Leedom:

AFSCME Retirees Chapter 57, Sub Local 142-11 and Sub Local 142-100 request that the CCCERA Board of Retirement approve the recognition of AFSCME Chapter 57, Sub Local 142-11 and Sub Local 142-100 as a "recognized retiree organization," as defined by the County Employees Retirement Law of 1937, Government Code Section 31471.5. We confirm that the majority of the members of AFSCME Retirees Chapter 57, Sub Local 142-11 and Sub Local 142-100 are retired members of CCCERA.

Please place on the December 12, 2012, board meeting agenda.

Sincerely

RUTH ROE, President
AFSCME Sub Local 142

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January 25, 2013

Marilyn Leedom, CEO
Contra Costa County Employees Retirement Association
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RE: Recognized Retiree Organization

Marilyn,

I apologize for the delay in sending this letter, but due to issues we previously discussed, there was an extended delay in my receiving same.

Please consider this an official request by the Contra Costa County Retired Employees Association (CCCREA) for the CCCERA Board of Retirement to approve the recognition of CCCREA as a "recognized retiree organization", as defined by the County Employees Retirement Law of 1937, Government Code Section 31471.5

We confirm that all of the members of CCCREA are retired members of CCCERA, since this is a requirement of our By-Laws to become a member.

Sincerely,

Michael E. Sloan

Michael Sloan, President
Contra Costa County Retired Employees Association