

Tuesday, April 11- Called to Order @ 10:14 AM (due to traffic)

ATTENDANCE: P=present, A=absent

BOARD: Anna Cicero-P, Ken Freed-P, Maria Leyva-P, Steve Linder-P, Julie Horwin-A, Luci Messing-P, Danny Barlow-P, Shirley Boswell-P, Marilyn Calhoun-P, Peter Coston-P, Janice Dwosh-P, Jeanne Erickson-P, Marilyn Freed-P, Norma Jimenez-P, Deb Larned-P, Sharin Manes-P, Barbara Matteson-A, Gary Mehok-P, Marshall Militano-P, Carmen Peters-P, Nancy Putman-P, Michele Smith-P, Susie Sommer-P, Sandra Warns-P

CHAPTER CHAIRS <u>Present</u>:Nancy Riley

OTHER LEADERS & GUESTS <u>Present:</u> Suzan Austin, Steve Ramos, Linda Somo, Julie Cieniawski, Ellie Perez-Pawloski-A

Land Acknowledgement - Racial and Social Justice - Sandra W and Janice D

Approval of Agenda- with flexibility. Moved by Ken, Seconded by Danny. Motion passed.

Approval of March Minutes - Moved by Ken, Seconded by Gary. Motion passed.

Financial Report - Steve L./Treasurer presented, and report moved to audit.

Approval of Financial Report - Moved by Ken. Seconded by Janice. Motion passed.

Membership- Nancy P/Shirley/Michele. Membership committee members role-played some potential conversations with new members to prepare for Delegate Assembly and the summer new hire actions with active members. The board practiced, too. The new membership form was discussed and feedback given to help clarify dues and options to join. Shirley shared membership trends, loss of 4 members. Nancy had a correction for the number of credit card-paying members should be 248. Michele reviewed Adopt-A-Local procedures.

OFFICER REPORTS:

President- Anna: Shared info. from Sara B, NEA Retired. Delegate Assembly theme, "Paving the Way with Unbreakable Solidarity." Shared important upcoming dates (see agenda).

Vice President- Ken: (see document)
Secretary- Maria: (see document)

AEA Director- Luci: AEA Board will hold its meeting prior to AEA Delegate Assembly.

NEA Director/Past President- Julie: AEA Liaison- Ellie Perez-Pawloski:

NBI #1 - To approve \$500 for the Kinnaman Fund donation at NEA Retired's Annual Meeting on June 29-30. Moved by Nancy P. Seconded by Marilyn F. Motion passed.

COMMITTEE CHAIR REPORTS:

Membership- Nancy P /Shirley/Michele (moved up in agenda)

Political Action- Luci Messing- May 15 NEA-R/WEP Day of Action! Passed out list of vouchers, referrals to ballot of very bad bills. Attended both AEA Lobby Days. Thanked all those who attended. Shared Educator's Budget list and card to legislators.

Racial & Social Justice- Janice Dwosh. Will be attending the RSJ Conference in June. Shared handout from session in San Francisco in March. Encouraged more people to join the committee. Communications – Website,Instagram- Maria: Encouraged all members to have membership in their social media and online presence. Shared results of the Member Survey (again). Facebook-Steve R: Requested for more people to share what is on AEA-R Facebook to their personal

Facebook page.

Communications cont.:

ZOOM Link Support- Susie S/Sandy W

MailChimp/Survey Monkey- Julie H

The Conduit Newsletter- Jan, Bart

Strategic Planning- Anna. Shared that the June Strategic Planning Retreat is being planned. Date TBD.

SPECIAL COMMITTEES/AD HOC:

ASRS- Steve R: Requested for a link to ASRC be added to the website. Shared that Daniella helped to kill many bad bills. Livingston even helped to kill a very bad ASRS bill!

M.O.R.E.- Linda: 45 People have RSVP'd for the event.

Fundraising- Marilyn F: Reminded everyone about the quilt and quilt tickets for Del. Assembly. She needs more volunteers to help run the table.

Annual Meeting- Norma J: FIVE former AEA Presidents will attend Annual Meeting and 90 people have registered, so far.

Annual Award- Nancy P shared that Steve L. will receive the award this year.

Elections- Steve L: So far, most of the races are running uncontested unless there is a nomination from the floor. There is a possibility of "win by acclamation" If a race is uncontested, there should not be a need for speeches either. Ten delegates have not yet registered.

Documents- Ken: There are no proposed language changes.

Budget- Steve L: Ready to present at Annual Meeting.

Audit- Carmen:

CHAPTER CHAIRS - Susie Sommer: Shared that Julia Watson will be chairing new Prescott Chapter! Gary and Susan A will be co-chairing the Phoenix Chapter with the first meeting on Sept 18 @10 AM at the Beatitudes with a \$10 lunch.

West Valley- Marshall: Reported that AZ Corp. Commission attended the last meeting. **East Valley-** Janie Hydrick:

Scottsdale/PV- Nancy R: Reported that SOS Beth Lewis attended the last meeting.

Greater Tucson- Peter C: Reported that Steve Farley was their March Guest Speaker.

Kyrene- Ellen S

Southern/Sierra Vista- Sally R: Met on March 23 at Manda Le restaurant. Twelve people attended.

Interstate Report- Danny: Will be happy to sign up people online Meetings on ZOOM.

Marana/Northwest Tucson- Deb L: All is OK.

Southwest Phoenix- Marilyn K

ALLIANCES AND COALITION UPDATES

ARSC- Steve R (refer to previous report from ASRS)

AIN- Ken: All Ok.

AARA- AZ Alliance for Retired Americans- Linda, Julie: Reported about March 23 Women in Organized Labor Event. Seventy-five people attended. Bus rour for 18 targeted LD's nationwide.

Kinnaman Raffle- Ken: \$36 dollars. Janice won.

Closure and Adjournment @ 2:17 PM.