

Judy Zeller - FW: SACRS NOMINATING COMMITTEE FINAL 2017-2018 ELECTION PACKET

From: Sulema Peterson <Sulema@shawyoderantwih.com>
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Date: 4/4/2017 4:07 PM
Subject: FW: SACRS NOMINATING COMMITTEE FINAL 2017-2018 ELECTION PACKET
Cc: "abradford@acera.org" <abradford@acera.org>, "evalos@co.fresno.ca.us" <...>

Good afternoon folks,
 Hope you're all having a great day...Please see the correspondence below from Tracy Towner, Chair - Ventura CERA and SACRS Nominating Committee member.
 If you have any questions, please contact Tracy directly at Tracy.Towner@ventura.org.
 Thank you and have a nice evening!
 ~Sulema

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From: Towner, Tracy [Tracy.Towner@ventura.org]
Sent: Tuesday, April 04, 2017 2:07 PM
To: Sulema Peterson <Sulema@shawyoderantwih.com>
Subject: FW: SACRS NOMINATING COMMITTEE FINAL 2017-2018 ELECTION PACKET

Hello Sulema,
 Would you please disseminate to the Retirement Administrators.

Thank you,
 Tracy

April 3, 2017

To: All Retirement Administrators and Retirement Board Members

From: Tracy Towner, Nominating Committee Member

Subject: 2017 SACRS Board of Directors Election

The final ballot for the upcoming election was accompanied by a packet of material that was added by the Chair of the Nominating Committee, without the knowledge or consent of the Committee. Including this additional “material” is **unprecedented** as I have been on the Nominating Committee for over 5 years. The Committee’s role is to circulate the final ballot, inclusive of any write-in candidates, and nothing more.

I have already expressed my concern about the inclusion of this extra material directly to the Chair, but I thought it best to notify all Retirement Board Members of my concern for the unprecedented action taken by the Chair without any discussion or input from the Nominating Committee members themselves. It should also be noted that Art Goulet was listed as a write-in candidate for Treasurer, although he had requested his name be removed from that race prior to finalization of the ballot. His name remaining on the ballot as Treasurer creates unnecessary confusion to your board.

The Chair, by sending the referenced packet without the consent or review by committee members appears, to be a violation of the intent of Article X, Section 1 of the SACRS By-laws and negates the Committees historical role of simply providing a ballot of candidates to be considered by our individual systems.

Best,

Tracy Towner

Judy Zeller - Re: SACRS NOMINATING COMMITTEE FINAL 2017-2018 ELECTION PACKET

From: Gabriel Rodrigues <gabrielrodrigues777@gmail.com>
To: Sulema Peterson <Sulema@shawyoderantwih.com>
Date: 4/1/2017 10:49 AM
Subject: Re: SACRS NOMINATING COMMITTEE FINAL 2017-2018 ELECTION PACKET
Cc: "dnelsen@acera.org" <dnelsen@acera.org>, "gstrohl@cccera.org" <gstrohl@c...>

Sulema,

I do have an email dated March 24, 2017 sent from Art Goulet to Yves Chery asking that his named be removed as Treasurer on the ballot.

Yves,

Please clarify this matter in case an updated ballot should go out to the Systems removing Art's name as a candidate for Treasurer.

Thanks,
Gabe

On Apr 1, 2017, at 10:43 AM, Gabriel Rodrigues <gabrielrodrigues777@gmail.com> wrote:

Sulema,

As I understand it, Art Goulet asked that his name be removed as a write in candidate as Treasurer. Art is only interested in running for Secretary and not Treasurer. He did voice a concern that if his name showed up for both positions on the SACRS Board of Director's ballot, it may be confusing to the Systems.

Please clarify this for me.

Thanks,
Gabe

On Mar 31, 2017, at 3:25 PM, Sulema Peterson <Sulema@shawyoderantwih.com> wrote:

Good afternoon everyone,

On behalf of the SACRS Nominating Committee, please see the attached packet from Yves Chery, SACRS Nominating Committee Chair.

If you have any questions or would like additional information, please feel free to contact Yves directly at ychery2013@gmail.com.

Thank you and hope you have a wonderful weekend!

Best,
Sulema

From: Yves Chery [<mailto:ychery2013@gmail.com>]
Sent: Friday, March 31, 2017 2:51 PM
To: Sulema Peterson <Sulema@shawyoderantwih.com>; Maria Barajas <Maria@shawyoderantwih.com>
Cc: lfiorino@css.sbcounty.gov; Tracy Towner <Tracy.Towner@ventura.org>; viviangray@aol.com; Yves Chery <ychery2013@gmail.com>; Dan McAllister <Dan.McAllister@sdcounty.ca.gov>
Subject: SACRS NOMINATING COMMITTEE FINAL 2017-2018 ELECTION PACKET

Hello Sulema / Maria,
Hope your afternoon is going well. Please forward the attached Nominating Committee 2017-2018 Election Packet to all the 37 Act Systems as soon as possible.

Thanks for your prompt attention to this important matter.

Best Regards,
Yves Chery, SACRS Nominating Committee Chair

<SACRS Board of Directors 2017-2018 Election Packet .pdf>

To: All Retirement Board Members

From: Art Goulet, VCERA Board Member

Subject: 2017 SACRS Board of Directors Election

As most of you are aware, I am the current SACRS Secretary, and have been nominated as a write-in candidate for that position in the upcoming election. In addition to being nominated by VCERA, I have also been nominated by SJCERA, SDCERA, OCERS, CCCERA, MCERA, SCERA and SCERS

I am not a candidate for Treasurer. My goal is to continue as SACRS Secretary.

Many of you already know me and of my substantial involvement in SACRS affairs since I became a trustee of VCERA 12 years ago. In that time, I have attended every SACRS conference, and have served on the Audit and Legislative Committees for 5 years and 12 years, respectively. I have actively participated in the meetings of these Committee during those years. I have also attended all SACRS Board of Directors meetings since being elected Secretary 2 years ago.

I am seeking your system's vote for SACRS Secretary so I can remain involved in completing the work of the current Board, which has had a particularly productive year under the leadership of President Dan McAllister. I will continue to do my homework and make meaningful contributions.

Thank you for your consideration.

TO: All 37 Act Retirement Board Members

FROM: Kathryn Cavness, Mendocino CERA Board Member

SUBJECT: 2017 SACRS Board of Directors Election

Hello, my name is Kathryn Cavness. I am a trustee and Vice Chairwoman on the Mendocino Board of Retirement. Recently, I was nominated by SACRS' Nominating Committee to serve as Secretary on SACRS Board of Directors for 2017-2018 year.

Today, I am contacting you to ask for your support for Secretary for SACRS Board of Directors and for the SACRS Nominating Committee slate.

My interest in seeking the position of Secretary on the SACRS Board of Directors is to reach out to trustees to attain greater participation in SACRS activities. Currently only about half of our retirement association trustees attend SACRS Conferences. If elected, my focus will be on improving our trustee participation at the Fall and Spring Conferences, the UC Berkeley Educational Program, and increasing membership on SACRS' Committees, including the Legislative, Program, and Bylaws Committees.

While SACRS' Board representation is predominantly comprised of Southern California members, broadening the scope of representation to include greater parity for the smaller, rural, central and northern counties would demonstrate a concerted effort to involve these retirement association members as well. As the Mendocino County Employee Retirement Association Vice Chair and a trustee of the smallest, rural county in northern California, I welcome the opportunity to represent all SACRS members, particularly from the central and northern counties in moving the mission of SACRS.

My education and professional experience provides qualifications ideally suited for taking on the responsibilities of Secretary of the SACRS Board of Directors.

- **Pension management experience as a trustee on the MCERA Board and Auditing Committee**
- **Principles of Pension Management for Trustees, Graziadio Business School, Pepperdine University**
- **Advanced Principles of Pension Management for Trustees, UCLA**
- **Master's Degree in Business Administration**
- **County of Mendocino District Attorney's Office Senior Department Analyst**
- **Fiscal Officer for the Lake and Mendocino County Area Agency on Aging**

In the coming weeks, all 37 Act Systems will be electing their 2017-2018 Board of Directors. I would be honored to get your support as Secretary of the SACRS Board of Directors.

Should you or a colleague have any questions, please email or call me k24u2figure@gmail.com or **(707) 459-2215**. Also, you are more than welcome to share my contact information with any of your colleagues on your Board. Thank you kindly for your time.

Have a wonderful day.

Best Regards,
Kathryn Cavness, Mendocino CERA Vice Chair