

RESOLUTION SAN LUIS OBISPO COUNTY EMPLOYEES' ASSOCIATION BOARD OF DIRECTORS



Adoption of Charter San Luis Obispo County Employees' Association Political Action Committee

Resolution No. BR2015-002

WHEREAS, The mission of the San Luis Obispo County Employees' Association (SLOCEA), is to <u>advocate</u> for *fair compensation, safe working conditions, affordable healthcare, and a secure retirement for our members, who provide vital services to the public*; and

WHEREAS, Such advocacy must include vigorous efforts to educate political leaders, business leaders, voters, and the general public, as to the importance of the public service in general, and specifically, the indispensable services provided by the SLOCEA membership to the communities throughout San Luis Obispo County; and

WHEREAS, Supporting issues, measures, propositions, and candidates, which further the goals and objectives of our organization, and opposing those that are adverse to our goals and objectives, is a vital and indispensable component of an effective advocacy strategy; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, That in furtherance of SLOCEA's overall strategy towards effective advocacy, the SLOCEA Political Action Committee (SLO-PAC), is hereby established, and Charter thereof adopted as follows:

CHARTER

San Luis Obispo County Employees' Association

Political Action Committee (SLO-PAC)

 Name: The Committee shall be called the San Luis Obispo County Employees' Association Political Action Committee (SLO-PAC). The Committee is authorized by the San Luis Obispo County Employees' Association Board of Directors (Board) and shall serve at the pleasure of the Board. BR2015-002 SLO-PAC Charter Page 2 of 4

- II. Purposes: The Committee is created for the purpose of evaluating issues, measures, propositions, legislation, and <u>local</u> candidates for political office, and shall limit its activities to advising the Board on matters that directly concern such issues, measures, propositions, legislation, and <u>local</u> candidates for political office. The specific purposes of the Committee may include the following responsibilities:
 - a. Evaluate the qualifications of candidates for political office and render recommendations to the Board as to the suitability of such candidates to receive an organizational endorsement;
 - **b.** Develop recommendations to the Board towards establishing political and legislative priorities for each local election cycle and California legislative session;
 - c. Establish a political action fund and conduct related fund raising activities for the purposes of growing the Association's capabilities in the local political arena;
 - d. Develop recommendations to the Board for taking positions in support of, or opposition to, state legislation, ballot measures, or propositions, which are of interest or concern to the Association and/or its members;

III. Legislative Advocacy Consultant:

a. It is hereby delegated to the committee the duty to evaluate the efficacy and cost effectiveness of the lobbyist's services currently being retained by the Association, and to render recommendations to the Board regarding such service.

IV. ORGANIZATIONAL STRUCTURE

- a. <u>Composition</u>: The committee shall consist of five (5) members. Three of the five members <u>shall</u> be members of the Board of Directors. The two remaining members may be selected from the general membership; however, the two individuals selected must be members in good standing for at least one year prior to their appointment to the committee.
- **b.** <u>Officers</u>: The committee will have a chair, vice chair, and recording secretary. The Association president or his/her designee shall serve as Chair. The Vice Chair and Recording Secretary shall be selected by majority vote of the committee.

- c. <u>Selection</u>: The Association President or his /her designee, shall service as Chair of the committee. The remaining members shall be selected by majority vote of the Association Board of Directors.
- d. Term:
 - 1) Committee members shall serve a two year term which shall coincide with the term of the appointing president.
 - 2) Special Note: Committee members appointed under this Charter shall concurrently serve to fulfill the mandates as established in accordance with Article VIII, Section 6 of the Association Bylaws.
- e. <u>Chief Advisor & Staff Support</u>: The Association's General Manager or his/her designee shall serve as Chief advisor to the committee.

V. PROCEDURAL RULES

- a. <u>Meetings</u>: The committee will meet as often as is necessary to accomplish the work of the committee. The Chair shall select the time and date of each meeting, which shall require a quorum of three members in order to transact the business of the committee. Sufficient notice shall be given by the Chair for the scheduling of committee meetings. The conduct of meetings shall be consistent with the latest edition of the Robert's Rule of Order.
- **b.** <u>Business Transactions:</u> It shall require a majority vote of a quorum of the committee to decide any question before the committee.
- c. <u>Minutes</u>: Minutes of each meeting will be kept by the committee recording secretary and maintained as a permanent corporate record at the Association Headquarters.
- d. <u>Recommendations and Reports</u>: Committee recommendations and reports will be submitted by the Committee Chair in writing, or orally, at the monthly Board of Directors meetings. The Vice Chair or acting Chair shall deliver all recommendations and reports in the absence of the Chair.

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e. <u>Dismissal</u>: Members who are absent without reasonable cause from three successive meetings will be considered to have resigned their seat. The committee will move to fill the vacant position.

On a motion duly moved (Director \underline{PINTO}), seconded (Director \underline{PRIOR}), and passed the forgoing Resolutions were adopted by the *San Luis Obispo County Employees' Association Board of Directors* on this 18th day of February 2015, during a duly noticed and convened meeting of the Board.

I so attest:

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James Mallon, Secretary - Treasurer

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