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Recruitment/Retirees	Terry Whittington Retired	209-403-0757
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Executive Board Meeting Highlights

From the April 12, 2014, board meeting.

President

Received letter from CALHR regarding Public employees' Pension Reform Act of 2013 (PEPRA). This letter advises of the State's intent to implement the required retirement changes in accordance with PEPRA.

Management Memo MM 14-03 was distributed to all State departments by the Department of General Services (DGS). This memo advises departments about a new travel policy for all state agencies. The new policy requires all work related travel arrangements (airfare, hotel, commercial car rental and rail) to be made through the DGS Statewide Travel Program (STP).

MVMSA continues to receive notification of offices closures due to renovations, employee relocations, office hours, etc. from the Labor Relations Officer.

There are no solid decisions made on AB60. There are many good ideas being considered.

Mini-conferences, area meetings statewide may have to be cancelled for now. DMV Director has been extremely busy attending a variety of meetings.

Relocations of several units in building west are going on due to renovations. Once the remodeling is completed Issuance Unit and Record Security Information Unit (RSIU) will be switching to the new phone system Voice Over Internet Protocol (VOIP).

Congratulations to: Rhonda Craft, Branch Chief, Driver Safety, she has been appointed by the Governor to the Office of Traffic Safety, Mary Garcia, LOD Branch Chief she has announced her retirement, Jasmine Figueroa new Program Manager for Issuance, Abstract Processing Unit

(APU), and RSIU, and to Odilia Villalbazo is now the Manager of the Financial Responsibility Unit (FR). Correction will be made to the MVMSA Board Member Roster and will send an electronic copy to the board members.

A change in the scheduled time for the board meeting was presented from 10 a.m. to 9 a.m. with no opposition.

Past President

No report available.

Vice-President

Has updated the list of reporting units and names for MVMSA records.

Contacts with CalPERS are getting much better.

Treasurer

Hand out the 2014 first quarter Treasurer's Report with no major changes.

There were two paid out employees during the 2014 first quarter from the Employee Assistance Fund.

Finding a location in the San Francisco area for the 2014 Annual Conference has been a challenge due to high pricing. Will research the Monterrey or San Simeon area.

Consultants

The excluded employee's meeting will soon commence. Funds in the CalHR budget have been allocated for compaction salary; however, utilizations of those funds may be discretionary.

Field Office visits continue with positive feedback and increasing MVMSA membership.

Northern Area Rep

Region I recently held two exams (MVFR/LRE). Oroville Field Office is now closed for renovations. The Redding Field Office is now at their temporary location in the DMV parking lot while their office is being renovated. Region I offices continue to be very busy with preparations on AB60.

A Retirement Workshop is scheduled on April 27, 2014, in Red Bluff.

Headquarters' Area Rep

May have to cancel her area meeting and possibly host a brown bag in building east.

The Opportunity Bulletins are out for the Unit Manager (Manager III), Senior Motor Vehicle Technician (SMVT), and 7 Motor Vehicle Registration (MVRs) in the Motor Carrier Permits Unit.

Congratulations to Carol Stevenson the new Vehicle Insurance Program (VIP) Unit Manager.

SNF/Coastal Area Representative

No report available

Central Area Rep

No report available

Los Angeles Area Rep

No report available

Southern Area Representative

No report available

Quick Tips For Healthy Eyes

"The eye is the mirror to your soul" goes the popular saying.



Here are things you can do to keep them healthy and make sure you are seeing your best.

Wear sunglasses for good vision

Sunglasses are a must for healthy eyes especially during summers. It is proven that UV rays can seriously damage your eyes, but good sunglasses can prevent this damage. The right kind will help protect your eyes from the sun's ultraviolet (UV) rays.

When buying sunglasses, make sure that they are UVA and UVB rays proof. Finally, remember that you would need sunglasses even if your contact lenses offer UV protection.

Look away from the computer for good eye health

Staring at a computer all day can lead to dry eyes, eye strain, blurry vision, headaches, neck, back and shoulder pain. Position your computer in a way so that your eyes are at level with the top of the monitor. Try to avoid glare on your computer from windows and lights. Use an anti-glare screen if needed.

Give your eyes rest

If you spend a lot of time at the computer or focusing on any one thing, you sometimes forget to blink and your eyes can get fatigued. Try the 20-20-20 rule: Every 20 minutes, look away about 20 feet in front of you for 20 seconds. This trick helps the eyes to relax and helps maintain a healthy level of moisture and reduces eye strain.

MVMSA Membership – What Do You Get?

Membership in a fantastic organization which has great members. Ask your co-workers who are managers and supervisors to see how many are MVMSA members. We are continuing to recruit and working to make MVMSA better for all.

MVMSA Area Representatives and Board Members are always available and ready to assist with your member or departmental needs. Throughout the history of the association, member's needs and issues have always been the number one priority of your elected representatives.

Access to MVMSA's Mentor Program. The program is designed to assist interested members with direction and information on Manager or Supervisor performance criteria, career building and promotional opportunities within the department.

Access to information affecting membership and departmental issues. Area Representatives and Executive Board Members are well trained and connected to advise members or assist with problem resolution in departmental, career, or personal areas.

Free Term Life Insurance Policy. With your membership, you are automatically enrolled for \$10,000 term-life coverage.

Member Benefit Discounts!

- Discount to Gilroy Gardens Family Theme Park ~ (New June 2012).

To access discounted tickets log onto website www.gilroygardens.org and at the bottom of the webpage (Corporate Partner Tickets) it will ask for your company ID. Insert MVMSA and it will direct you to the discounted ticket page where you can purchase and print your tickets from your computer.

- Discount coupon book for Folsom Premium Outlets
- Pier 39 Fun Pack (discounts galore!)
- Discount to Sea World (San Diego)
- Discount to Pirate's Dinner Adventure in Buena Park
- Discount to Medieval Times Dinner & Tournament in Buena Park

Discount tickets from Bodies the Exhibition (www.BuenaParkExhibitionns.com), and Titanic the Experience

- Discount Admission to the Alpine Club (Palm Springs Aerial Tramway)
- Discount on vehicle rental from Hertz
- Discount for paint and products at Kelly-Moore Paints
- Discount on admission to Universal Studios (Orlando-Hollywood-Spain-Japan)

- Discount on admission to Ripley's Believe It Or Not (San Francisco & Hollywood)
- Discount to the Los Angeles Zoo
- Discount admission to the Monterey Bay Aquarium
- Discount to Roaring Camp Railroads

Discounted Movie Ticket Sales. Discount tickets for the Regal Entertainment Group (Regal Cinemas, Edwards Theatres, and United Artists Theatres). No "first run" restrictions, no black-out dates. Tickets are \$8.00 each, purchased direct from MVMSA through Cory Keaulana.

Regional (Area) Association Meetings. Meetings held in your area to provide timely information regarding issues which are important to us as supervisors, managers, and members. All managers and supervisors are welcome. Members are entitled to reduced rates for meals or lodging, when the event includes those activities.

Advocacy and Advisement. Hughes Svetich Associates (HSA) has over 37 years of experience in labor relations and related activities in the public sector. They will provide the following benefits to our members: "Meet and Confer" and representational support on behalf of our members with the State; organization and member representation in grievances, disciplinary appeals and other work-related claims and appeals; member and leadership education and training on different phases of adverse actions.

AFLAC Cancer Insurance. Cancer insurance coverage is available to our members and their families at very reasonable group rates. Rates vary depending on coverage selected, etc. Convenient monthly payroll deduction.

Annual Conference for current and retired members. The MVMSA Annual Conference is held in different locations within the state, typically on a rotational basis between northern, central and southern parts of the state. The conference is held to provide training, social functions, and information sessions for current and retired members. Conferences typically include participation by the DMV Director, Deputy Directors, project leaders and/or outside specialists.

Fun, Entertainment, and Educational.

