



To: CCPOA Retired Membership

RE: Retiree Dues Increase Election Results

Rossmann, MacDonald & Benetti Inc., the accounting firm that oversaw the balloting for the proposed Retiree Dues Increase, from \$5 a month to \$10 a month, has reported the following. 3537 ballots were returned. 637 were deemed invalid and not counted and 2900 were validated and counted. 1626 retirees voted yes and 1274 voted no. This equates to 56% voting to increase the dues and 44% voting not to raise the dues. The vote required a simple majority. Therefore, the Retiree Dues amount has been changed to \$10 a month.

The Proposed change to the Retiree Dues began as a proposed change to the CCPOA Bylaws at the May 2011 State Board of Directors Meeting. The section of the Bylaws to be changed was Article 2, section 4. The proposal was submitted by the Chapter President of the Retired Chapter of CCPOA at the urging of the Retired Chapter. The reasons given to the State Board, when it was proposed, included the following. The \$5 dues amount was set many years ago. It no longer covers the cost of the Death Benefit for retirees, let alone the costs incurred by CCPOA to cover maintaining membership records, retired chapter meetings, Peacekeeper costs and postage for mailings.

The proposal was to increase the Retiree dues to \$10 per member per month. Of that, \$7 would go to the CCPOA Benefit Trust and \$3 to CCPOA, out of which chapter expenses would be paid. The bylaws require that any change to the dues structure of CCPOA members be passed by a 2/3 vote of the State Board of Directors as well as a vote of the membership. The State Board passed the proposal at the May 2011 State Board meeting and now that the vote has passed the membership vote as well, all prerequisites have been fulfilled.

Sincerely;

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CCPOA State Secretary