



President: Lori Norman – ByLaws Cmte Chair	MercedCERA Ret Bd Rep ALT: Michael Harris
Vice-President: Dartine Solis: Healthcare Cmte Chair, ByLaws Cmt	Director: Mary Brooks :(RSM): Chair- Election/Nomination
Secretary Karen Rodriguez : Scholarship, Healthcare & ByLaws Cmt	Director: Michle Burroughs - Registration, greenTickets, Election Cmt
Treasurer: Richard St. Marie: Audit, Scholarship Chair	Director: Kelly Pedrozo: Trips, activities, door prizes
CRCEA Delegate: Lori Norman – Alt Richard St. Marie	Director: Bernedette Castaneda: ByLaws Cmtes, Scholarship Cmt
MercedCERA Retirement Bd Representative – Scott Johnston	Director: Gloria Keene : Events (speakers/Presenters)
Past President: Lola Barnett	Director: Vacant : Communication/Newsletter/Facebook

Minutes

REMCOAI Board of Directors Meeting

In-Person Meeting (690 W. 19th Street) – 4/29/2026 9:30 AM

Next Board Meetings: (Jul 8, 2026, Oct 13. 2026)

CALL TO ORDER 9:35AM

ROLL CALL OF ATTENDEES: Lori Norman, Karen Rodriguez, Mary Brooks, Michle Burroughs, Gloria Keene, Bernadette Castaneda (arrived at 9:50)

SECRETARY'S REPORT:

- Minutes of 1/14/2026 Board of Directors Meeting – Secretary Karen Rodriguez
 - Minutes of 3/10/2026, General Membership Meeting – Secretary Karen Rodriguez
- Action Item: Approve as submitted/sent (Motion made by Keene /2nd by Burroughs).

TREASURER REPORT: hold over to next meeting as Richard St. Marie did not attend

Business Items:

- Norman reported the taxes have been completed. We gained money last year, more details will be on the Treasurer's report. We have a 5-year CD that is maturing soon. The board decided to shop around to see if we can get a better rate than the 3.2% that MERCO is offering.
- PGA/AMBA update: President Norman sent an email to PGA indicating that we wanted to move forward as is, with no signed agreements. We have not heard back. They sent a presentation from the conference.
- June 9, 2026– Program topic/ speaker - Director Gloria Keene. Gloria asked for suggestions for speakers. Suggestions were Title theft, What's happening in the City (Frank Quintero), Attorney for advanced directive information (e.g. for information on a specific topic), and Daniele for Area Agency on Agency – Disaster Preparedness. Director Keene will reach out to Frank Quintero.

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- By-laws – Secretary Rodriguez sent the By-laws out to the board for review prior to the meeting. There were no questions or edits. President Norman will reach out to Tom Burr to see if he is willing to review. If not, Secretary Rodriguez will reach out to another attorney for review. The plan is to have an attorney review and then post on the REMCO website in June/July prior to the membership vote in September.
- Scholarship applications – The committee (Brooks, Castaneda, Keene, and Rodriguez) reviewed scholarship applications prior to the meeting, compared scores and determined that the board will award 7 scholarships to the highest scoring applicants. There were 9 total applicants.
 - Social Ideas/Activities – Burroughs said that Merced College has an upcoming trip to Monterey. She will forward the Senior Center calendar of events to President Norman to post on the website. Best Tours from Clovis also does group trips
- June 9, 2026: Guests from Merced County Human Resources (Amy, Mai) and from MercedCERA have been invited.
- Winner of the \$50 quarterly draw for June 9, 2026, General Membership Meeting – President Norman will draw a random name before the meeting
- June 9, 2026, Menu /President Norman. Tri-tip
- Free lunch ticket for new members for the next membership meeting. President Norma will mail out the letter to new members.
- Lola Barnett has resigned as Past President due to health concerns.
- June 9, 2026, General Membership Meeting: Director Michle Burroughs and Gloria Keene are accepting registration, Cindy Ramirez prize tickets
- Election for Directors in September. The current Directors indicated a willingness to continue to serve and be on the ballot. We still have one Director vacancy – President Norman
- 2026 General Membership meetings: June 9, Sept 8, Dec 8 (second Tuesday of the month)
- No other business – Lori will not be at the June meeting, so Gloria will lead/chair the June membership meeting.
- Meeting ended at 10:15 am

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