

## CREA Board Meeting Minutes

In attendance on February 8, 2017:

Governors	Officers	Stewards and Others
David Bradley Joel Greene Elayne Heisler Mallary Stouffer M. Angeles Villarreal	Phillip Brogsdale Clint Brass Mike Martin Alison Siskin	Bill Canis Megan Lynch Randy Schnepf

**Telework:** The date to begin negotiations has been set (2/10) and CREA has submitted a counter proposal.

**LOC Leave Bank Board:** The board is comprised of three members: one from HRS, one from Health Services, and one from the LOC unions. The unions rotate turns on the board annually. We think it is CREA's turn on the board. The Leave Bank gave away too much leave one year and now carries a--- what many think is a too--- large surplus annually. The maximum distribution is set by the board and is currently 80 hours.

**IFPTE Caucus:** The IFPTE Federal Caucus and Advocacy day is coming up in DC. CREA only participates in training and the federal issues part of the meeting, not in the lobbying day.

**CREA Communications:** Discussed ways to increase communication with the bargaining unit and with members. People have mentioned that they are not aware of what CREA does. CREA thought about sending short periodic emails on issues but that hasn't happened. The BOG has discussed producing "white papers" on specific issues that could be written by people with expertise who aren't officers or board members. The officers have a lot on their plate and so communications tend to be reactive rather than proactive. Ideas: (1) monthly emails; (2) open CREA office hours; (3) more individual division/CREA meetings; (4) meet and greet coffee with members to discuss ideas.