I, as East Sierra CWC Central Board representative, Donna McCrohan Rosenthal, move that Bob Isbill receive the club’s highest honor, the Ina Coolbrith Award, at the July 23, 2017 Central Board meeting.

Bob Isbill of the High Desert Branch has been a valued member of the Central Board since January 2013. By January 2014 he accepted the position of Forum administrator and took on the additional responsibility of moderator in July 2014. In both roles, he encouraged the use of the Forum for conduction corporate business between face-to-face meetings and patiently trained new Central Board representatives in its use. He has provided further service to California Writers Club by serving on the Finance Committee since July 2015. More recently, he took on the position of Advertising/Promotion Director in January 2016 and achieved what many talked about over the years (but never turned it into anything beyond talk), actually bringing revenue to CWC by the sale of advertising in the Bulletin and the Literary Review.

He has enthusiastically spread the word about the Barnes and Noble book fairs, opening up new venues for fundraising at the branch level and moreover, as a tireless champion for the Dorothy C. Blakely Memoir Project, he has raised awareness of CWC and its mission not only in his community but throughout the state.

Bob Isbill has more than earned this recognition for his many selfless contributions to the betterment of CWC, in light of the reasons stated above.

Motion Made by: East Sierra
Seconded: Tri Valley

Totals: 
Yes = 16
No  = 0
Abstain = 1
Absent  = 5

Motion Carried

Ayes: Berkeley, Central Coast, Coastal Dunes, East Sierra, Fremont, Inland Empire, Long Beach, Mt Diablo, North State, Orange County, Redwood, Sacramento, SF Valley, South Bay, Tri-Valley, Writers of Kern
Abstain: High Desert
Absent: Marin, Mendocino Coast, Napa, San Joaquin, San Francisco Peninsula