

AARSPA
Anne Arundel Retired School Personnel Association
75th Anniversary
General Membership Meeting/Luncheon Minutes
Two Rivers Steak and Fish House
September 10, 2015

Call to order: Meeting called to order at 10:30 by Barry Fader, President who presented the agenda for the day.

Pledge of Allegiance: pledge to flag done by Charlie Gable

Special introductions: Four new officers are presented by Barry Fader:

Rosemary Biggart – Treasurer

Brenda Gibson – Corresponding secretary

Zetta Hart – Assistant Recording secretary

Susan Errichiello – Recording secretary

New committee chairperson:

John Salwach – Pre-retirement Committee

Emeritus members: 5

First Timers – 10

Overview of Activities: Barry Fader presents a short overview of the day's activities

Proposed Budget: Rosemary Biggart presents the proposed budget for 2015-2016. She includes the revisions that were made with the Executive Board's approval. Budget is then presented to the membership for approval and acceptance.

Time Marches On: Carla Duls presents a short review of the compilation of the AARSPA's history. She has acquired 60 copies for those who may want a copy. She acknowledges the individuals who have served as past presidents. She also reminds members that the deadline for next newsletter will be 10/6/15. She requests that members submit short anecdotes about days in the classrooms.

Installation of new officers: Carla Duls installs new officers: Rosemary Biggart and Susan Errichiello

Community Service committee: Carla Duls and Debbie Ahalt presents the directions on how to sign up either to join or contribute to the AARSPA team who will be participating in the Alzheimer walk on October 25th in Annapolis. Teams can be organized online. Contributions can be made online or on hard copy.

MRSPA News: Leadership Conference - 10/1

MRSPA Legislative Workshop – 11/4

Janet Williams from Baltimore City retirees will serve as new area 11 director.

Remembrance Committee: Millie Zipay announces Free School cards are available for purchase

Upcoming dates to remember: AARSPA general membership meetings and luncheons are listed in agenda.

Trips and Travel News: Lou Kamm announces plans for upcoming trips. There are limited tickets available for each event. Annual Florida trip is being planned. Will take place in Sarasota

Membership Updates: Carol Kirby announces that there are 150 new members.

Special Community Volunteer Request: Susie Jablonski shares the United Seniors of Maryland flyer which lists the meetings. She encourages all to participate in this organization.

Raffle Committee: Sandra Edmonds announces the raffle winners at the conclusion of the meeting. **please add the amounts**

Scholarship Committee: Tillie Barckley announces that through the generosity of the membership four students were awarded money to pursue their college education. Amount collected is announced at end of meeting. **Please add amount**

Human Relations Committee: ??

Break if permitted -

Guest Presenters: Susan Baugher, AACPS Human Resources, provides an overview of the upcoming changes to healthcare benefits. Open enrollment begins 10/1. There are three open enrollment meetings. No action is needed if no changes are being made. Funding for medical and dental remains at 75%. Vision is retiree funded. Medical premiums will increase by 5%. No copayment changes. Check for variations to coverage for those under 65 years of age.

Karen Straughan, Assistant District Attorney, provides an overview of potential scams that are perpetrated on senior citizens. She explains that there are two mediation units that provide free services. One is a general mediation unit the other covers health advocacy. Call for

assistance if you feel you have been scammed. Do not provide personal information to anyone either on the phone or online. Beware of the Green Dot card which is a reloadable credit card.

Announcements and Adjournment: **please add these items.**