

ANNE ARUNDEL RETIRED SCHOOL PERSONNEL ASSOCIATION

Executive Board Meeting

July 13, 2017

Center 2 A, BOE Building

Attendance: Dixie Stack, Barry Fader, Millie Gardner, Rosemary Biggart, Deborah Ahalt, Bob Kanach, Rick Wiles, John Salwach, Anthony (Tony) Anzalone, Tillie Barckley, Carol Kirby, Carla Duls, Charles Gable, Phyllis Cherry, Sandra Edmonds, and Sharyn Doyle

Call to Order: President Dixie Stack called the meeting to order at 10:01 a.m.

Pledge to the Flag: Barry led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Minutes of the June 8, 2017 Meeting: Sharyn had emailed them out earlier and thanked everyone who responded to her email asking for their feedback on the draft of the minutes. Bob made a motion to accept the minutes and Barry seconded the motion. A vote was taken and the minutes were unanimously approved.

Treasurer's Report: Treasurer Rosemary Biggart distributed the Treasurer's Report dated July 13, 2017 and reported that we had very little activity since our last meeting and our general funds are more than \$33,000. Bob motioned to accept the Treasurer's Report, Sharyn seconded it. A vote was taken and the Report was unanimously approved.

The FY2018 Budget Analysis Based on Treasurer's Report of July 13, 2017 was also distributed. Rosemary reviewed line by line with a few major points such as increasing scholarships to 4 versus 3 based on carry over funds and increasing Presidents' expenses (line 13) since we have 2 people sharing that role. Tony motioned to accept the Treasurer's Report, Sandy seconded it. A vote was taken and the 2018 Budget Analysis Report was unanimously approved.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

AARSPA Chorus "Voices in Melody" - Rick reported that 8 holiday concerts are now scheduled in November and December. Practice begins in September and more members are welcomed.

Corresponding Secretary- Brenda was absent. No report available.

Recording Secretary: No report at this time.

Community Service/Education Committee: Phyllis reported that the committee will be continuing with the projects from last year and a new goal of recognizing AARSPA members for their community service. The October 16th Alzheimer's walk event was also discussed and supporters/participants welcomed.

Educator/Employee of the Month: Tony reported that he was thanked by a Board member for his letter that was sent discussing the role of the Educator/Employee of the Month Committee.

Free School: Bob reported that the roof will out on bid with historical trust guidelines needing to be followed. There is still uncertainty as to where funds will be coming from.

Going Green– Bob will continue to work diligently to encourage members to use the electronic mailing versus hard copy and postage. He will also write an article for the Informer discussing the savings we can experience with electronic mailing and asking for members to update him on their preference for mailings.

Historian & Archivist: Carla shared the completed 2015 Archives notebook. She also reminded members that for the 2016-2017 history and archives, there are 4 committees remaining that need to submit their year-end reports. She will contact them again directly.

AARSPA Informer: Carla reminded those present that the deadline for the August issue is August 1st. At the suggestion of the Board, she will include an announcement of the filling of the positions of assistant photographer, parliamentarian, and USM representative and the need for a bylaws committee chair and a treasurer. A reminder that the 50/50 raffle tickets available for purchase at luncheon meetings (1 for \$1.00; 6 for \$5.00) support the scholarship fund will also be included.

Legislative Committee: Virginia was absent. No report at this time.

Membership Chairperson: Carol will be sending out a letter to new retirees or those who did not renew. Transparency was discussed and in the next issue of the Informer there will be an explanation as to how our dues are used.

Pre-Retirement Committee- John reported the next session will be held on October 21st at Severna Park High School at 8:30 a.m.

Program Committee: Charlie reported that Susan Baugher was retiring and Lorraine Ferris will be accepting that role. She has been asked to speak with us at the September General Membership Meeting. The Superintendent has been asked to speak at our November General Membership meeting. He is also scheduling a meeting in August for the Program Committee. Ideas for our February General Membership Meeting were also suggested.

Publicity Committee: Debbie reported our articles are in the Capital's digital version yet rarely in the print version. A new reporter has been assigned to the Board so she will develop a new working relationship with him.

Raffle Committee: Sandy thanked everyone and an increase in prices was discussed and will be mentioned in the Informer.

Remembrance & Sunshine Committee- Millie shared appreciation to her committee members and the general membership support.

Scholarship Committee: Tillie thanked everyone for continued support and read aloud a thank you note from one of our scholarship recipients. She also reported that any donor for a contribution in memory of one of our members is sent a personal thank you note. Names of donors to the 21st Century Scholarship Funds are not always known to us, yet if known, they too are thanked.

Trips & Travel Committee: Our trip to New York is scheduled for October 3rd and the trip to Winterthur will be December 12th. More information will be in the Informer.

Old Business

General: Committee chairpersons are asked to submit a very brief description of their committee's work by September 1st to Dixie.

Vacant positions:

- Constitution Committee Chairperson
- Parliamentarian – Sharyn has accepted
- Staff Photography Assistant
- Treasurer
- United Seniors of MD Chairperson – Carla will do so since she attends regularly for another organization.

Maryland Senior Citizens Hall of Fame Ad: Karla was absent yet she submitted several for review. A vote was taken with AD #4 selected.

New Business

MRSPA Information:

Faye Miller membership memo was distributed

Dates for MRSPA President, Vice-President, Area Director or Executive Director to attend local meetings

Ideas from the Co-Presidents:

- Brief summary of each committee with how often and where meetings occur
- Electronic survey – will discuss next meeting
- Promotional brochure for new retirees – Dixie was given our current one for review

Ideas from Board members: Both were discussed and not favored

Cancel July meeting and schedule August meeting instead

Hold all meetings at the Free School

Dates to Remember: Refer to Agenda

Adjournment -Motions were made and vote taken with a unanimous vote to adjourn at 12:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Sharyn Doyle
Recording Secretary