

**Anne Arundel Retired School Personnel Association**  
**Executive Board Meeting**  
**Center III - Carol S. Parham Building**  
**2644 Riva Road**  
**Annapolis, Maryland**  
**June 16, 2011**

**ATTENDANCE:** Betty Ann White, Thelma Auman, Ione Williams, Alicia Hardisky, Carol Kirby, Bob Kanach, John Hammond, Karlie Everett, Max Muller, Howard Hall, Lonnie Kelly, Susie Jablinske, Carla Duls, Joel Drapalski, Diane Rogers, Anthony Anzalone, Pat Ericson, Don Smith, Ed Stofko, G. Thomas Neuenschwander.

**CALL TO ORDER:** President Bob Kanach thanked everyone for being present and called the meeting to order at 10:05 A.M. Ione Williams led the pledge to the flag.

**MINUTES:** Lonnie Kelly distributed the minutes from the April 14, 2011 meeting. Some corrections were noted: Spelling -perform and not perform; spelling -there and not their; pre-retirement committee - 275 + attended and a 90.8 positive response; Sunshine/Necrology Committee changed to Remembrance Committee; New business exhibit regarding the terms of president and president-elect; terms to run concurrently and changes to be made to the general membership. The remaining minutes were accepted as presented.

**TREASURER'S REPORT:** Don Smith presented the most recent statement and noted Bob Cox has not performed the audit. There was some discussion as to whether or not the association is a 501-c-3 or 501-c-4. Max Muller provided documentation indicating the association is a 501-c-3 and has an employer identification number (52-1157487). Bob will contact Bob Cox and look into the association's 501-c-3 status with the IRS. The statement was accepted for audit and filing.

**CORRESPONDING SECRETARY:** No report.

**REPORTS:**

**Archives / History:** Carla Duls reported she has completed the history for 2005 - 2010 and has one more year to complete. She thanked Bob for collecting the committee activity reports and indicated she gathers most of her information from **The Informer**, year-end reports and committee minutes. She has prepared an input post card for distribution to the committee as a tool to collect information in a more expedient manner. E-mails are also encouraged. Don Cramer has indicated he will be able to print the Archives/History document for the association.

**Constitution - By-Laws:** Ed Stofko reported he wants to bring closure to the by-laws. There was a lot of discussion regarding the proposed changes to the terms of president and president-

elect. It was decided that the executive committee will address each by-law proposed change individually in the next **The Informer** and make a recommendation to the general membership to approve or not approve the changes. This proposal was made by President Kanach, seconded and approved by the executive committee.

**Chorus:** Great news. Tom Neuenschwander will be inducted into the Maryland Senior Hall of Fame. The committee voted to acquire a table of seats (10 seats) for the event on October 20, 2011 in support of Tom's accomplishment. Tom also indicated the past year was a great success and the chorus spent in excess of 50+ hours performing. The chorus practices at Belvedere Elementary on Tuesday afternoons from 3:30 -4:45 PM.

**Community Service:** No report.

**Consumer Education:** No report.

**Educator/Employee of the Month:** Tony Anzalone was pleased to report that he and his committee was recognized by the BOE and President Patricia Nalley for their hard work. Tony was totally surprised when the board presented him with a brass bell. He also had an appreciation luncheon for his committee which meets once a month. Bob Mosier has sent out an e-mail to 6000 + employees explaining how the recognition program works and encouraging participation. Tony completed a committee job description last year.

**Finance/Budget:** Alicia Hardisky asked for assistance to convene a budget sub-committee on June 28, 2011 in the board cafeteria in order to generate a budget. Tom Neuenschwander indicated he will forward his proposed choral music selection budget to Alicia for inclusion in the budget. Volunteers included Carol Kirby, Pat Ericson, Bob Kanach, Don Smith, Howard Hall and Max Muller. They will meet in the Board of Education cafeteria on June 28 at 10:00am.

**Free School:** Howard Hall and Max Muller indicated the clean-up went well and the building and grounds look great. Howard is re-convening the committee and is working on adding some school "marms". The schedule is pretty much filled. He stated that he is still having problems getting exposure in the local papers. He is hoping to get exposure on the board cable channel and felt strongly the board has a lot of good video footage for sharing thanks to Bob Soneira.

**Hospitality:** No report.

**Legislation:** No report.

**Membership:** Carol Kirby reported the membership brochure has been updated with new pictures and a direct mailing will be sent out to all new retirees to encourage them to join our association. Thus far, we have 2 new members from the recent retirees.

**Remembrance:** Dianne Rogers indicated 332 get well cards were mailed. The memorial service and change to a vase of flowers was well received by the general membership. Although the

original vase broke prior to being displayed at the BOE, Dianne acquired another vase for the display. Ione shared the MRSPA memorial brochure and Bob Harrell's memorial brochure. A new person will be sending out birthday cards to members. Her name is Millie Zapay.

**Newsletter/ Informer:** Betty Ann White and Pat Ericson reported articles for the next **The Informer** are needed by June 30, 2011.

**Nominating:** Ione Williams reported we do not have a president-elect on board.

**Photography:** Thelma Auman reported she received pictures from Howard Hall and John Hammond.

**Benefits:** There is a need to re-activate the committee and find a new chair.

**Pre-Retirement:** Joel Drapalski reported the committee will meet on July 21st and the first pre-retirement meeting is scheduled for November 5, 2011 at Severna Park H.S beginning at 9:00am.

**Programs:** Luncheon dates/locations at set for the 2011/2012 year.

**Public Relations:** No report.

**Raffle:** No report.

**Scholarship:** Karlie Everett discussed the dates for sending funds to AARSPA from Century 21 and when to send funds to Scholarships for Scholars and the dollar amounts. Howard Hall indicated we will send \$6,000 to them in the fall-2011 and \$6,000 in February-2012. Karlie gave an accounting of the funds collected and noted we aren't collecting as much as we are sending to Scholarships for Scholars.

**Travel:** Howard Hall reported a group went to the Kennedy Center on June 15th to see "Follies". The Meyerhoff and National Symphony are not offering a holiday performance. We may consider going to Lancaster, Pa. but not sure of the performance dates and the bus will be very costly. "Billy Elliot and Memphis" plans are still in the works but the prices may be high.

**United Seniors of Maryland:** Susie distributed minutes from the May 16th meeting and recent newsletter. The rally date is set for January 24, 2012.

### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS /ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

**Website:** Funds were approved (\$400) to purchase two sets of software for the persons managing our web site (Annette Smith and Bev Paul).

**The Informer:** Discussed adjusting dates for **The Informer** when the time comes that we don't have anyone to produce the August newsletter. John Hammond agreed to discuss the August newsletter situation with Dan Schaffhauser, Principal of CATN to see if CAT-N could print the newsletter.

**CATN Luncheon:** November 10, 2011 - Menu Option #1 selected. Chicken Cordon Bleu and Flounder Stuffed with Crab Meat. John Hammond will notify CATN of the selection.

**Audit:** Bob Kanach agreed to contact Bob Cox regarding the audit.

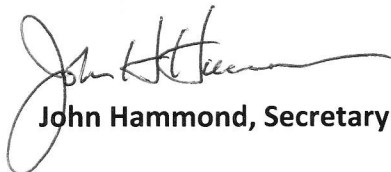
**BOE Budget & Impact on Benefits:** In view of recent announcements in the Evening Capital concerning cuts to the AACPS benefits funding for 2011/2012, Bob Kanach agreed to set up a meeting with Dr. Maxwell to discuss what the impact will be on retiree's benefits.

**Letter of Congratulations:** Sent to the new State Interim Superintendent, Bernard Sandusky.

**Next Executive Board Meeting:** July 21, 2011 at 10:00am in Center 3 of the Board of Education.

**THE MEETING WAS ADJOURNED at 12:00pm.**

Respectfully Submitted,



John Hammond, Secretary