Anne Arundel Retired School Personnel Association

General Membership Meeting May 17, 2012 Renditions Golf Course, Davidsonville, MD

CALL TO ORDER: President Bob Kanach welcomed everyone and called the meeting to order at 10:30 A.M. Bob also referenced the Free School pictures on the tables and the "Smile Box" video to be shown during the meeting.

PLEDGE TO THE FLAG: The Pledge to the Flag was led by Ione Williams.

MINUTES: John Hammond provided copies of the minutes from the March 22,2012 meeting. The minutes were approved for filing.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Don Smith shared the February, March & April, 2012 reports. The reports were accepted and filed for audit.

CORRESPONDING SECRETARY: Charlie Toth indicated there was nothing new to report.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

United Seniors of Maryland: Susie Jablinske was ill and unable to report.

Newsletter: Carla Duls produced our most recent newsletter. Melissa Mowrey has offered to assist with the newsletters. Our next deadline is August 15, 2012.

Scholarships: Karlie Everett thanked everyone for their continued generosity to allow us to continue to award three scholarships. She reported that this year's recipients are: Bailey Falk - South River H.S. and attending Lehigh University, Stephanie Grim - Northeast H.S. and attending Towson University, and Rebecca Mount - North County H.S. and attending University of Maryland. Due to school schedules and commitments none of the recipients were able to attend the luncheon. We will keep in touch with them as their college careers progress.

Raffle: The 50/50 raffle was completed and winner announced. \$129.00 was collected, with the winner receiving \$64.50. In addition, \$217.80 was collected from the donation envelopes on the tables. Additionally, \$445.00 worth of checks was written toward the scholarship fund.

Free School : Max thanked Marie Diamond for coordinating this year's clean-up. Max also noted we need some volunteers on Sundays. Ed Stofko has the schedule. We also need help distributing the Free School flyers to the local libraries.

Travel: Bob reported that Howard is working on a holiday production at the BSO.

MRSPA Elections & Awards: Bob announced that Estelle Johnson was elected as MRSPA Vice President and Sandra Edmonds was elected to the MRSPA Nominating Committee. MRSPA awarded certificates to Estelle Johnson for her work on our scholarship program and certificates were presented to Max Muller

as MRSPA/AARP Liaison and Carla Duls as Area II Director. Carla also presented a certificate to AARSPA for the "Unit of Excellence" Award.

Birthday Gifts/ First Timer Picture: Members with birthdays in April, May and June were reminded to pick up their gifts from the gift table. Also, first time attendees were reminded to gather for a picture.

Archives/Historian: No report.

Chorus: The Voices of Melody have a very busy schedule and it was provided to all members. They will be performing this Spring at eight sites around the county, primarily at the various senior centers.

Budget: No report.

Membership: No report.

Public Relations: Bob reported that our web site is experiencing some transitional problems and he is working closely with Bill Brose to correct the problems.

ELECTIONS: The 2012/2013 slate of Officers were elected by the general membership and sworn in by Carla Duls, MRSPA Area II Director. The officers are as follows:

Bob Kanach - President
Charles Gable - President- Elect
John Hammond - Recording Secretary
Lonnie Kelly - Asst. Recording Secretary
Alicia Hardisky - Treasurer
Pat Ericsen - Asst. Treasurer
Charlie Toth - Corresponding Secretary

VIDEO: A video of the "Free School" was produced by Margie Hammond and titled: "School Days" The video was played for the membership.

REMEMBRANCE MEMORIAL SERVICE: Nina Griffith, Millie Zipay, Karlie Everett and Dianne Rogers organized this year's program. The names of the deceased were read and a flower placed in a vase to be displayed in the lobby at the central office. The names of the deceased and the entire memorial program will be recorded in the minutes and records of AARSPA. "Voices in Melody" performed two excellent songs as part of the service.

LUNCHEON: Luncheon started following the business meeting conclusion at 12:00 (noon).

Reminders:

AARSPA has a new web site. Log on to **www.aarspa.org**June 14, 2012 - Executive Board Meeting - 10:00 a.m. - Free School building.

July 12, 2012 - Executive Board Meeting - 10:00 a.m. - Board of Education - Center III

Meeting Adjourned at 1:30 PM: Bob thanked everyone for coming to the meeting.

Respectfully Submitted by: John Hammond, Recording Secretary