# AARSPA

# Anne Arundel Retired School Personnel Association General Membership Meeting/Luncheon Minutes Renditions Golf May 23, 2019

**Call to Order:** Meeting was called to order at 10:30 by Dixie Stack, Co-President.

Pledge of Allegiance: Pledge to flag was led by Barry Fader, Past President.

Greetings and Special Introductions: Dixie Stack welcomed the following:

- Emeritus members Ethel Bohle and Mary Ruth Tereshinski
- Our 2019 Scholarship Winners and their family members will be unable to join us today and Tillie told us more about them later in the meeting.
- Our Special Guests
  - Bill and Bonnie Brose AARSPA website editors
  - o Janet Williams MRSPA Area II North Regional Director
  - o Heather Carnaghan- 2019-20 Anne Arundel County Teacher of the Year

**Overview of Activities**: A short overview of the day's activities was presented as listed on the attached agenda.

**Remembrance Service:** Service was led by Millie Gardner who led the Prayer and the Inspirational Reading. The *Voices in Melody*, directed by Judy Engelmeyer and accompanied by Joyce Nellenbach.

The Resolution was read aloud and members lined up to pick up a flower and place it in a vase when the name of a recently deceased (5/1/18-4/30/19) AARSPA member's name was read aloud. When all of the deceased members were honored, the **Conclusion of the Resolution was read and asked to be recorded into the minutes of this business meeting with a copy to be sent to the AACPS Scholarship Committee.** (Memorial Service resolution and list of deceased members was available at each person's table and included with the minutes of this meeting.)

**Approval of the Minutes from the February 28, 2019 General Membership Meeting:** Minutes were attached to the agenda and Dixie Stack asked if there were any corrections or questions. Motion was made and seconded to accept the minutes as presented. Vote was taken and the minutes were unanimously approved.

**Treasurer's Report:** Max Muller, Treasurer, presented the budget update. Questions were welcomed. Motion was made and seconded to accept the report as presented. Vote was taken and the report was unanimously approved. The budget for 2019-2020 was also presented and vote will be taken for approval after by-law change is presented and approved.

### **Committee Reports:**

**By-laws Revision**: Bob Kanach reviewed the by-law change as included in the agenda and it was approved.

Budget 2019-2020: The budget was also approved unanimously.

Florida Debriefing: Bonnie Schmeltz summarized the recent Florida trip.

**Community Service:** Phyllis Cherry, Chairperson, thanked members for their past and current donations. She also shared where they had been donated and where these new ones will be taken.

**Free School:** Karlie Everett, Chairperson, reported that the Free School will be part of a presentation at a conference in Frederick this year.

Bob Kanach also reported that the next major improvement will be painting the building and replacing windows at the Free School.

**Voices in Melody:** Rick Wiles, Chairperson, reported the spring season included 8 concerts and 2 left as indicated on the calendar section of the agenda. Rehearsals are on Tuesdays from 2-3:30 p.m. at Our Shepherd Lutheran Church in Severna Park. One additional concert has been added for Severna Park Genesis on June 3<sup>rd</sup> and this date is not included on the agenda.

**Legislation Committee:** Virginia Crespo, MRSPA Legislative Aide, spoke about the recent legislative session and a few of the new laws passed and the fact that Michael Busch will be greatly missed. Charlie Gable, Vice President of MRSPA, reported that our pension is currently funded at 74% and the goal is 80%. We now have a COLA of 2.44 % and it will be reflected in our July checks.

**Scholarship Committee:** Tillie Barckley thanked members again for their generosity. Donations were also encouraged to be placed in the envelope on each table. Checks can be made to 21<sup>st</sup> Century Foundation Inc. or to AARSPA, and cash is accepted. She also thanked the members of the Scholarship Committee.

**Remembrance/Sunshine Committee:** Millie Gardner, Chairperson, reminded everyone who had an April, May or June birthday to be certain they have a ticket for a chance to win one of several prizes in the drawing after lunch. She also introduced her Committee Members.

**Trips and Travel Committee:** Lucy Travers, Chairperson, reviewed recent Cape May trip and the upcoming trips. Details will be in the Informer as dates near for registration.

#### New Business Items from Members: None

**Guest Speaker:** Heather Carnaghan provided an inspirational presentation on the importance of connections with students.

#### Break and Conversation until lunch was served.

#### Luncheon

**Introduction of the 2019 AARSPA Scholarship Winners**: Tillie presented a short bio on each of the scholarship award winners. No one was able to attend due to family or personal conflicts.

Hailey Boyd- Severna Park High School Savanna Kerberos – North County High School Monique Maxwell – North County High School Alexis Poe – Southern High School

**Election of Officers for 2019-2020:** Dixie Stack presented the nominees for each position and asked for any additional nominees from the floor. No additional nominees were presented.

Installation of Officers for 2019-2020: Officers were sworn in by Charles Gable, Vice-President, MRSPA

Officers are: President: Rick Wiles Past Co-Presidents: Bonnie Schmeltz and Dixie Stack Treasurer: Max Muller Assistant Treasurer: Bob Kanach Recording Secretary: Zetta Hart Assistant Recording Secretary: Sharyn Doyle Corresponding Secretary: Brenda Gibson

#### **Entertainment: Voices in Melody**

Chorus again performed under the direction of Judy Engelmeyer and accompanist Joyce Nellenback. A special thank you was extended to these ladies and all of the Chorus members.

Birthday Drawing Winners: Millie Gardner awarded 5 prizes

50-50 Drawing Winners: Sandra Edmonds awarded the \$119. \$238 were collected in total.

**Scholarship Collection Report:** Tillie Barckley announced the scholarship collection results. A total of \$1119.00 was collected, including the 50/50 raffle.

**Adjournment:** Bonnie Schmeltz asked for a motion to adjourn. A first and second motion to adjourn were made. A vote was taken, resulting in a unanimous vote to adjourn. Meeting was adjourned at 1:35 p.m.

Respectively submitted Sharyn Doyle Recording Secretary