

Anne Arundel Retired School Personnel Association
Executive Board Meeting
Center III - Carol S. Parham Building
2644 Riva Road
Annapolis, Maryland
January 6, 2011

ATTENDANCE: Betty Ann White, Thelma Auman, Ione Williams, Alicia Hardisky, Carol Kirby, Bob Kanach, John Hammond, Mary Overholser, Sandra L. Edmonds, Karlie Everett, Max Muller, Nancy Mann, Howard Hall, Lonnie Kelly, Susie Jablinske, Carla Duls, Joel Drapalski, Otho Johnson, Diane Rogers.

CALL TO ORDER: President Ione Williams thanked everyone for being present and called the meeting to order at 10:00 A.M. Bob Kanach led the pledge to the flag.

MINUTES: John Hammond distributed the minutes from the October 14, 2010 meeting. The minutes were accepted as presented.

TREASURER'S REPORT: The October, November & December ,2010 financial report with interest figures were presented by Mary Overholser. The reports were approved and filed for the audit. Bob Cox has not completed the audit. There is still a concern regarding the low amount of interest earned on the Gunston Account.

CORRESPONDING SECRETARY: Nancy Mann reported there is no correspondence to report.

REPORTS:

Archives / History: Carla Duls reported the report will come out this year. Will check with Don Cramer to see if it can be printed by his staff. May restrict the first printing to 100 copies and then print in 25 copy increments.

By-Laws: No report from Ed Stofko. Bob Kanach and Ken Nichols will work on the by-laws. Ed Stofko will be invited to participate.

Chorus: Thelma Auman reported the chorus presented at 9 locations and the central office for the first time. Howard Hall suggested getting some exposure in the Evening Capital or Sun Paper with pictures.

Community Service: Nancy Gaston is not feeling well and Mr. & Mrs. Diamond are backing up her efforts. Recent mailings (2) have been well supported and gone well.

Consumer Education: No formal report by Otho Johnson but he indicated there is a need to attract some new members to the committee and possibly arrange for some guest speakers.

Educator/Employee of the Month: No report.

Finance/Budget: Alicia Hardisky stated there is nothing new to report.

Free School: Howard Hall and Max Muller indicated they will activate the committee to address upcoming maintenance needs and spring activities. They are having some difficulty with the local community association with regard to scheduling meetings at the school. Max will get in touch with the association president to discuss the communication concerns.

Hospitality: No report.

Legislation: Virginia Crespo reported on the upcoming legislative session and the need to pay close attention to Casper Taylor's Pension Sustainability Committee and subsequent reports. The local (A.A. Co.) legislative luncheon is scheduled for February 24th in room 170 from 11:00 -1:30 PM. Bob Kanach and Virginia will attend an upcoming legislative training session sponsored by MRSPA. Everyone was encouraged to monitor the MRSPA web site for updates.

Membership: Carol Kirby reported there are 1941 members on the roll and 27 emeritus members.

Necrology / Sunshine: Names were shared of recent illnesses and deaths. They will appear in the next newsletter. There was a discussion regarding an interest to change the name of the committee. Ione presented data regarding the names used by other locals. A proposal was made, seconded and approved by majority vote to change the committee name to "Remembrance"

Newsletter/ General Meetings: Betty Ann White and Carol Kirby reported the recent newsletter was done before Christmas and mailed shortly thereafter. CATN printed it for an excellent price of \$390.95 and because it used tabs instead of staples \$.10 per newsletter was saved when it was mailed by the central office mail system. John Hammond will communicate with the principal at CATN concerning the upcoming newsletter deadlines and to discuss the large file size for the recent newsletter. Bob Kanach discussed the web site progress. Bill Brose from the MRSPA Public Relations Committee is working with Bob Committee to develop the site. Everyone was encouraged to view the web site progress at WWW.AARSPA.org.

Nominating: Alicia Hardisky was pleased to report that Sandra Edmonds has agreed to be the upcoming President-Elect of AARSPA. We need to identify someone for the Treasurer position for next year.

Photography: Nothing new to report.

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

Pre-Retirement: Joel Drapalski reported the November program went well and plans are in place to have the next pre-retirement session on April 9, 2011 at Severna Park High School.

Programs: Bob Kanach reported everything is set to have the September luncheon at Snyder's and the November luncheon at CATN. The remaining luncheons will take place at the same locations as this year. Bob will also check on other locations for future options.

Public Relations: Max Muller developed a committee description and a new chairperson is needed.

Raffle: Sandra Edmonds reported people have given freely at the luncheon meetings.

Scholarship: Karlie Everett reported \$2077.50 has been collected so far. She is working on a new Scholarship Donation form format. The web page has been corrected to identify the correct number of scholarships. The Century 21 address needs to be corrected.

Travel: Howard Hall reported 55 people attended the Holiday Spectacular on December 10th. "Follies" at the Kennedy Center is scheduled for June 15th at 1:30 pm. Great seats are available. He is trying to work out something with Fords Theatre to see "Liberty Smith" but it is difficult to speak directly with someone on the phone

United Seniors of Maryland: Susie distributed minutes from the December meeting and January newsletter. March 9th (coffee at 8:30 am & meeting at 9:00 am) is the new date for the Legislative Rally. Unfortunately the meeting is at the end of the legislative session. Susie stressed the importance of the state not pushing any of the benefit costs back to the locals.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Audit of 2010 & 2011 Financial Records: Waiting for feedback on the audits from Bob Cox.

Partners in Care: Requesting assistance. It was agreed to put an article in the newsletter regarding donations and volunteer assistance.

Meeting with Dr. Maxwell: It was agreed that a yearly meeting with the superintendent before the annual budget is completed would be beneficial to AARSPA. The Gunston Account funds should also be a topic to discuss with Dr. Maxwell.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Informer Deadline: February 1, 2011

Third General Luncheon Meeting: March 17, 2011 - Michael's 8th Avenue

Maryland Legislative Session: January 12 - April 11, 2011

Next Executive Board Meeting: April 14, 2011

Pre-Retirement Workshop: April 9, 2011

Florida Luncheon: Venice, Florida - January 27-28, 2011 - Bob Harrell, Chair

MRSPA Seeking Nominations: President- Elect & Secretary - MRSPA -Contact Area II North
Director Carla Duls

USM Rally: March 9, 2011 - St. Johns College -Annapolis

Kudos: To Volunteers for helping to assemble retirees health packets on December 1, 2010.

Marie Diamond	Joan DeTuccio	Berlie Henderson	Carl Stewart
Patria Abend	Sandra Edmonds	Bob Kanach	Charlotte Stewart
Anthony Anzalone	Dorothy Gammon	Carol Kirby	Esther White
Monica DeLucia	Nina Griffith	Gene Kirby	Jim & Ione Williams

Continuation of Projects: Annual Legislative Luncheon, Increase AARSPA Membership, Mission & Vision Statements, Update By-Laws, Draft/Update Committee Descriptions

THE MEETING WAS ADJOURNED 12:00

Respectfully Submitted,


John Hammond, Secretary