# **Anne Arundel Retired School Personnel Association**

# Executive Board Meeting Conference Room #3- Carol S. Parham Building 2644 Riva Road Annapolis, Maryland February 9, 2012

**ATTENDANCE:** Betty Ann White, Alicia Hardisky, Carol Kirby, Bob Kanach, John Hammond, Howard Hall, Carla Duls, Anthony Anzalone, Susie Jablinske, Karlie Everett, Charlie Toth, Virginia Crespo, Sandra Edmonds, Lonnie Kelly, Charlie Gable, Ione Williams & Patricia Ericsen.

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

**MINUTES:** John Hammond presented the minutes from the January 5, 2012 meeting. Minutes were approved and filed.

**TREASURER'S REPORT:** Bob reported our accounts are in order and we have funds to meet our expenses. The November and December statements were approved and filed.

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

### **REPORTS:**

**Archives / History:** Carla Duls indicated there is nothing new to report.

Constitution - By-Laws: No report.

**Chorus:** No report.

**Community Service:** Charlie Gable reported he contacted Ann Sutton at MRSPA for input and she will be sending some information and referenced the form: "For Your Information". Charlie has the form and will distribute it to the membership at the next general membership meeting.

**Consumer Education:** No information to report.

**Educator/Employee of the Month:** Tony Anzalone reported his committee is working well and has no changes to report.

**Finance/Budget:** Alicia Hardisky reported she spoke to Lois Sewell, CPA regarding our need to have our records audited. Lois questioned why we need an audit, and not just a review. An audit can cost \$5000 and a review will cost from \$250 - \$300. Tony Anzalone vouched for Lois

as someone who has a lot of experience working with 501C-3 groups. It was decided to have Lois perform a review. Bob reported he filed the federal 990EZ form and lone filed the state property form. Therefore, all tax filings are up to date.

**Free School:** Howard reported that he and Max have just about finished an inventory of the books and Max has the data on his computer. Howard stated that although we don't loan the books, we may want to schedule a "Preview Session" for the public because it is a great collection of books. Bob now has a key to the building and may be contacted for building access. Bob also reported that Max will be contacting the roofer to check a section of the roof and that there is a need for some yard work. Charlie Gable suggested we have a future executive board meeting at the school.

**Hospitality:** No report.

**Membership:** Carol Kirby reported we have 1910 state/local members and 703 e-mail addresses. Bob referenced the MRSPA "Unit of Excellence" awards but indicated our enrollment is down this year. Bob plans to invite a state/local delegate to one of our meetings.

Remembrance: No report.

**Newsletter/ Informer:** Betty Ann reported that putting together the newsletter is becoming a challenge and when Jill retires we will be in a "mess".

**Nominating:** Ione Williams is not having any success finding nominees for future vacancies.

**Photography:** No report.

**Pre-Retirement:** No report.

**Programs:** Bob is working on arranging presentations on vascular screening and a right to know presentation on pre-planning.

**Public Relations:** Nothing to report.

**Raffle:** Nothing to report.

**Scholarship:** Karlie Everett reported we have collected \$6,405.13 and have met our goal for three scholarships. She also indicated a need to update our thank you cards and will be working with Carol Kirby to obtain our letterhead electronically.

**Travel:** Howard Hall reported the show "Memphis" is coming to the Kennedy Center in July-2012. It is about the beginning of rock and roll.

**United Seniors of Maryland**: Susie Jablinske reported about the January 24th Seniors Forum. Senator Pippin, Miller & Busch had a Town Hall Meeting and afterwards the group broke up into individual county delegation offices and Anne Arundel County had a good turnout - Rosapepe, Beidle, Love and Reilly. There was good discussion and a lot of questions. There appears to be some doubt about the pension funding transfer from the state to the locals but pay close attention to what Governor O'Malley says in the media. There is a "Tax Cap" referendum being developed by TAAAC and they are asking for our signatures in order to get it on the ballot. They want to make a change and have the support of SAAAC and AEL.

**Legislation:** Virginia Crespo reported there is discussion that Anne Arundel County is not pulling their fair share because of the tax cap. The legislative luncheon is all set for next week's luncheon and we are hoping to get direct feedback from our legislators concerning the pension funding issue. We need to make sure our legislators know we are not part of the state health care system. Some don't understand this point. Ron Ruffo and Virginia are planning for a sit down meeting with Mike Busch and our other delegates to protect our position on the subject. We can also get the MRSPA Legislative Update on the MRSPA web site.

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

**On-Line Newsletter** - Ken Nichols is recuperating from knee surgery and still looking into the email newsletter systems available to our group.

**Florida Get-Together** - Only 18 people attended this year's meeting. There is a survey out to determine if the membership wants to go to an alternating year luncheon schedule.

**Delegates for MRSPA Business Mtg.** - 20 delegates are needed

**Next Executive Board Meeting:** April 12, 2012 - Conference Room #1 @ 9 am. Note this is a time change so that folks who may want to attend the luncheon/seminar on funeral and cemetery planning may attend.

#### **Important Dates:**

February 15, 2012 - Legislative Luncheon

March 22, 2012 - Gen. Membership Luncheon Meeting - Michael's 8th Ave. -10:00 am.

April 12, 2012 - Executive Board Meeting - Conference Room #1 @ 10:00 am.

April 12, 2012 - Funeral Seminar at Snyder's Willow Grove Restaurant - 11:30 am.

April 15, 2012 - MRSPA Unit of Excellence Award form due.

April 20, 2012 - Newsletter Info. deadline.

April 30. 2012 - Maryland Senior Citizens Hall of Fame Nominations due.

May 8, 2012 - MRSPA Annual Business Meeting @ Michael's 8th Ave. - begin at 8:00 am.

May 17, 2012 - General Membership and Luncheon Meeting - Renditions Golf Course in Davidsonville, Md. - Registration at 9:45 am and meeting starting at 10:00 am.

June 14, 2012 - Executive Board Meeting - Conference Room #3 at 10:00 am. July 12, 2012 - Executive Board Meeting - Conference Room #3 at 10:00 am.

## THE MEETING WAS ADJOURNED 11:05 AM

Respectfully Submitted,

John Hammond, Secretary