Henry County Retired Teachers Association Meeting

HCRT Foundation Annual Meeting

Secretary's Report

May 10, 2021

The Henry County Retired Teachers Association meeting for May 2021 was called to order by President Charlotte Shrider. Following the Pledge of Allegiance, President Shrider recognized the hostess and setup volunteers for the evening: Bev Wittes, Sandy Honemann, Gregg Merrill and Duane Ressler. She welcomed guest Dave Kleck. Various interesting world records were used to determine table order dismissed to the meal. Sandy Honemann offered the prayer and the meal was enjoyed by all.

Following the meal, Dave Kleck described his lifetime of experiences in the radio industry beginning in 1977 until present. It was fascinating how much has changed and the sport talent that Dave has encountered.

The business meeting resumed.

Committee Reports:

Courtesy South and North had concerns for members that had passed.

Legislative: nothing new reported

Community Service: Thank you to those that reported during last year. Members with highest number of hours were recognized.

Membership: Nan Bretz reminded members to fill out a slip and inform her of any newly retired teachers.

Education Foundation: Newly elected Foundation president Chuck Klamer updated members on what had been discussed at the latest meeting. He informed group that three students will receive grants at the July meeting.

**ORTA: Steve Seagrave announced that a forensic audit was presently being conducted of finances at STRS to discover where our money has gone and why COLA has not been reinstated.

Old Business:

Charlotte reported that officers would remain the same and thanked the FIVE members that returned the actual ballot which had been done via newsletter/email since we could not meet.

New Business:

Gene Grime stated that dictionaries were taken to the school offices for distribution.

Duane Ressler stated that PROJECT WE CARE checks were finally cashed. President Shrider asked group for a new community giving project. Mary Jane Myrice suggested the Humane Society, President Shrider suggested that for the JULY meeting everyone bring something needed by the society and a community project will be visited again then Steve Seagrave will include a NEED LIST in the newsletter.

Greg Merrill informed members about a new program instituted at Napoleon City Schools. Lifewise Academy is a Bible based Character Building program for K-3. Volunteers of teachers and monitors are needed as well as financial donations.

Prizes for attending were awarded.

Pam Schwiebert won the 50/50 drawing of \$70.00

Faith Hurst made motion to adjourn Marlene Jones seconded the motion to adjourn.

Respectfully Submitted, Pam Schwiebert, HCRTA Secretary