

**Henry County Retired Teachers Association  
Secretary's Report  
September 13, 2021**

The Henry County Retired Teacher Association meeting for September was called to order by Charlotte Shrider. Following the pledge, the president thanked Nan Bretz and volunteers for helping set up. Charlotte then welcomed our guests the four School Superintendents from Henry County: Meyers, Belcher, Biederstedt, and Peters. Tables were dismissed by the year older game shows debuted. Nan Bretz offered the prayer, and the meal was enjoyed by all.

Following the meal, the superintendents were given the microphone to give interesting updates about each district.

**Kelly Meyers-Holgate**

Shared about Adulting 101- how to survive as an adult, School Resource officer teaches students how to act when stopped or approached by officers and Vape Detectors in bathrooms.

**Richie Peters - Liberty Center**

Shared that enrollment continues to rise, the American Reading Company Program is a success, and the Football Field was recently dedicated.

**Josh Biederstedt- Patrick Henry**

Reported that the 1969 High School building has been updated, described the After School Programs, the district hired a social worker and importance of continuing to work on the Social and Mental Health of students.

**Eric Belcher - Napoleon**

Reported they are concentrating on Work Ethic, Mental and Social Health, and the Community Center with a variety of opportunities for the entire community. Substitute teachers are needed.

The business meeting resumed.

**Committee Reports:**

**Foundation** - Chuck Klamer read a statement from Steve Seagrave about Foundation amendments being proposed.

**Legislative** – Chuck Klamer asked the group to read an article in the news about the STRS AUDIT being done by ORTA.

**Community Service** - Jan Schlade reported on Service hours

**Dictionary Project** - Gene Grime - Napoleon and Patrick Henry no longer want dictionaries, Kirk Fruth and Jan Schlade will deliver to Holgate, St. Paul's and St Johns.

**New Business:**

**ORTA Representative** - Carol Wolf was present to give a talk on STRS. Stated there would be more information after this month and also advised to read newspaper reports.

**Nominating Committee** - Members, Renee Weaver, Kim Spiess, Treva Stevens and Teri Witt will present a slate of officers at the November meeting.

Christmas Baskets will be raffled off at the November meeting instead of the 50/50 draw.

Kim Spiess won the \$20.00 for the September 50/50

Bev Wittes gave a brief invite to the November meeting featuring presenter Doris Piercefield.

Motion to adjourn was made by Charlene Freppel and Seconded by Jan Baker.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Pam Schwiebert, HCRTA Secretary