

The Henry County Retired Teachers Association

September 11, 2023

The Henry County Retired Teachers Association meeting for September was called to order by President Bev Wittes. Following the Pledge of Allegiance and prayer, President Bev recognized the host/hostess committee: Charlotte Shrider and Jan Schlade. as well as the setup volunteers Terry Witt and Charlie Meyer. The tables were dismissed by rolling dice for places.

Following the meal, Charlie Meyer introduced the speakers Cross Country Coaches Tim Atkinson and Kenny Barnes. Mr. Barnes brought along runners Makayla and Gracie to answer the groups questions about the sport.

President Wittes opened the meeting. The treasurer and secretary's report were approved as printed in the newsletter.

**Committee Reports:**

**Courtesy-** Phyliss Hesterman is home and doing well after a fall.

**Community Service-** Jan Schalde recognized Gene Grime and Bev Phillips as the top volunteers.

**Legislative/Membership-** Steve Seagrave reported next spring is an important time for change with efforts to reform STRS with the next election of a STRS board member. WATCH for it. Spread the word about reform especially to active teachers you know.

**Old Business:**

Brochures to promote membership are ready and on the tables for members to share with retired and actively working teachers.

Back to school boxes filled and will be delivered to the respective schools.

**New Business:**

Volunteers needed for 2024 nominations committee. Bev Wittes, Charlie Meyer, and Greg Merrill have all volunteered to serve as officers another year. A secretary and assistant secretary will be needed. Faith Hurst volunteered for the assistant secretary position. Carol Agler, Nan Bretz and Bev Wittes will serve on the nominations committee.

A Foundation member will be needed to replace the member whose term is ending. The name will be presented at the December Meeting. If interested contact Patty Hill.

Please reach out to Steve Seagrave or Bev Wittes if you have changes or are aware of changes that need to be made in the association's directory.

Charlie Meyer announced that the November 13<sup>th</sup> meeting will be at 11:30am. The speaker for the lunch meeting will be Morgan Parcher. Morgan works as the Extension Educator- 4-H Youth Development.

No 50/50.

Steve Seagrave made a motion to adjourn. Charlotte Shrider seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Pam Schwiebert, HCRTA Secretary