

**Frederick County Retired School Personnel Association  
Board Of Directors Meeting  
March 10, 2019**

Attendance: Marsha Wise, Sharon Rectanus, Irene Bailey, Debbie Thackston, Shirley McDonald, Tom Slater, Joe Polce, Carroll Kehne, Mary Straits, Judy Brandenburg, Bob Humphrey, Sally Smith, Claudia Harrington, Faye Buckingham, Brenda Banko, Bill Price

**Reports of Officers**

Meeting called to order at 2:01pm- Linda King

**President Elect-Tom Slater**

Asked for any suggestions for the next year when he becomes president.

**President's Report-Linda King**

- Talked with speaker for March
- MRSPA Scholarship Basket
- Reading other locals' newsletters
- Writing President's Annual report for MRSPA publication

**Secretary's Report-Sharon Rectanus**

The minutes of the January 15, 2019 Board Meeting were approved as printed.

**Treasurer's Report-Shirley McDonald**

- Money Market \$6045.42
- Checking Account \$6533.39
- Scholarship update: \$1265

**Reports of Standing Committees**

**AARP Liaison-Linda King, Bill Price**

- See Legislative Summary below.

**Past President: Sally Smith**

- Sally attended the state president's meeting. Discussion at the meeting was on membership statewide.
- Each county shared what their county is doing to encourage membership.

**Archives-Cindy Stull**

No report.

### **Auditing-Shirley Stroup**

No report.

### **Community Services-Beryl Long, Claudia Harrington, Irene Baily**

- Committee collected large amount of toiletries at the March luncheon. The items have already donated.
- The repairing books project is currently meeting with Sue Baldwin, Claudia Harrington, and Irene Bailey This program saves money for the board. At this time no more volunteers are needed.

### **Consumer Education-(position is vacant)**

#### **E Mail-Bob Humphrey and Lois Humphrey**

- Email continues to do well except for those who don't inform of changes.
- Some difficulty in sending emails to large amount of members so is sent in multiple groups and may take some time.

### **FCPS Liaison/Health Advocacy-Joe Polce**

- Benefits Manager is leaving- Penny Opalka  
She was helpful to clean up and organize the switch to CareFirst.
- Doris Toms is still the contact person. Suggestion to send flowers in appreciation as part of Secretary/Admin appreciation day.-
- Insurance budget may affect premiums.
- Renewals committee reviewed most likely no changes
- Prescriptions bid out (hopefully no change from CVS)
- Walkersville eye: Concerns about insurance coverage if you go there.

**THE NEXT NEWSLETTER WILL PROVIDE DETAILS.**

### **Legislative-William Price**

- Bills met with 6<sup>th</sup> district Congressman David Trone on February 9, 2019.
- After an overview of general legislative matters, the group (AARP President Gail Lawrence, Legislative Chairman Bill Price and Susan Weber) met with the Congressman and discussed the following of interest to our Frederick County AARP group: control of high drug prices, control of all health care costs, and protection of retirement savings.
- The local AARP hopes to continue a dialogue with this representative.

### **Membership-Marsha Wise and Deborah Thackston**

- Charge of the state is to recruit, recharge, and retain to get members to be involved. Currently we are at 775 members.

- Debbie has list of those who have retired since January who have not joined and is working to contact them.
- At the May meeting we will celebrate five 90 year folks. 2 are coming to be honored.
- Happy Hour 30 folks at this time (Oscars) RSVP to Debbie
- Marsha Wise shared that if a member gets a retiree to join using dues deduction (auto deduction from pension check), MRSPA sends member \$10 Walmart gift card.
- Marsha shared that FCRSPA had a table at the recent preretirement meeting.
- Roster merged finally. It was decided to send out to all.
- Hagerstown Paper included our last luncheon focus.
- Students who photograph at our events allow members to enjoy lunch.

#### **Nominating-Judith Brandenburg and Mary Straits**

- Continuing to try to recruit someone for President -Elect.
- Putting blurbs in newsletter in case one is interested in this position.

#### **Publication -Sue Heller and Marty Fisher**

Newsletter articles are due to Sue by March 21, 2019  
Stheller53@comcast.net

#### **Remembrance and Sunshine-Faye Buckingham and Brenda Martz**

- Thinking of You 4
- Sympathy 5
- Total Cards Sent 9
- Members who died: Edward "Ned" Kerns, Jr. 1-16-19

#### **Social-Brenda Banko**

- 116 reservations, 5 no shows, paid for speakers, photographers, one voucher didn't show.
- Donations for May luncheon for door prizes are needed (Linda King will follow up ).
- All events are scheduled through December
- Discussion/ and decided about inviting Steve Hess to the July 9 picnic.
- Another possible entertainment would be Sue Delainey for future events and the Performing Arts group at TJ as group for Christmas.

#### **Scholarship no report**

#### **Website-Carroll Kehne**

Send copies to Carroll if sending something for newsletter so it can be added to the web page. He is going to include the link to Facebook.

## Unfinished Business

**Deborah Thackston  
Happy Hour reminders.**

## New Business

### Proposed Budget for 2019-2020-Shirley McDonald , Tom Slater

Budget 2020	
Income	Proposed
Member Dues	7000
July Luncheon	1600
October Luncheon	1900
December Breakfast	3000
March Luncheon	3000
May Luncheon	2700
Donations	
MRSPA	
Directory	
	19200
Expenses	Proposed
Membership	300
July Luncheon	1600
October Luncheon	2100
December Breakfast	2800
March Luncheon	3200
May Luncheon	2900
MRSPA scholarship prize	75
Handbook	
Postage	800
Community Outreach	1000
Newsletter	2000
Sunshine	75
Bank Charges	50
Website	16
certificates	
Garden ESSL	400
President	359
Bridges	500
Mileage	
Scholarship	1000
MRSPA liability insurance	25

	19200

**Will be put in newsletter**

**Membership Action Plan for January 2019 to June 2020- Marsha Wise, Deborah Thackston**

- See Marsha and Deborah's previous email for copy of action plan.
- Discussion regarding how to (Sally Smith) inform new retirees about explaining our purpose (protection of pension benefits and support other legislative bills Sally to do a mock up)
- Sally Smith has agreed to become part of membership

**Delegates for MRSPA Business Meeting on May 8, 2019 -Linda King**

**Lunch with Retired Teachers at Homewood-Judy Brandenburg**  
**Is working on this to join our retirees who have been members to have lunch.**  
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**FCRSPA General Membership Meetings**

**May 14, 2019 Dutch's Daughter Restaurant 12 Noon MRSPA President**

**July 9, 2019 Jefferson Ruritan Center 6:00 pm**

**October 8, 2019 Lewistown Firehall 12 noon**

**December 10, 2019 Holiday Breakfast at Dutch's Daughter 8:30 am**

**FCRSPA Board of Directors Meetings**

**May 21, 2019 Career and Technology Center 2:00 pm**

**August 13, 2019 Career and Technology Center 2:00 pm**

**October 15, 2019 Career and Technology Center 2:00 pm**

**Meeting Adjourned: 3: 35**

**Respectively,**  
**Sharon Rectanus**  
**Secretary**