

Mid-Jefferson County Retired School Personnel Minutes  
Tuesday, December 13, 2016

The regular meeting of the Mid-Jefferson County Retired School Personnel was held at Ritter Senior Citizen Center, Nederland, TX, on December 13, 2016, at 1:30 p.m. The meeting was called to order by President Lynne James. Donna Lumpkin gave the invocation. Pledges of allegiance were led by Linda Harrison. The minutes of the November 8<sup>th</sup> meeting were emailed and distributed for accuracy. The minutes were approved. Treasurer Loretta Morman reported the balance November 30 was \$6,716.37. The report was filed for audit.

### **Committee Reports**

**Membership** –Linda Harrison reported 295 members! Linda Pinner requested membership forms for contacts she has made. Thirty letters will be mailed to retirees who have not yet joined. The Membership Committee is working!

**Legislative** –Richard Briggs said that the report from the interim committee requests no additional money from the legislature for our health care. However, “no news is good news” for now.

**Book Project** –203 books were given to 4<sup>th</sup> grade students at Port Neches Elementary School on December 2<sup>nd</sup>.

**Protective Services/Memorial & Get Well** – Chairman Linda Fong reported that Dr. Carol Fetters lost her husband, Jimmy Fetters; Frances Glaze fell twice and has injured her knee and chest; Pat Edwards fell and shattered her shoulder; Steve Comer’s brother has passed away as well as a former teacher, Jerry Matthews. Linda cautioned us regarding email scams in which fake delivery notices are given. She suggests using a separate credit card for ordering online and *never* use a debit card for online purchases.

**Health Care** – Helen Reynolds suggested a Christmas gift to ourselves should be good health, by eating healthy foods, exercising portion control, getting enough rest, and forgiving ourselves and getting back “on track.”

**Programs** –Linda Briggs reported that David Long of Calder Woods Retirement Living will be our January speaker.

**Technology** – Chairman Lynne James is still working on our website to incorporate scholarship ads.

**Member Benefits** – Dana Wasser had handouts available at the welcome table regarding new benefits. Also, she shared that Lamar is sponsoring a trip to Iceland for those interested.

**Yearbook** – Becky Dungan has hard copies of the Yearbook available. A few were mailed to those PNG retirees who can no longer attend meetings; she asked for names of Nederland retirees that would like a copy.

**Foundation** –Clara Graham thanked those that had contributed to the Foundation.

**Community Volunteer Services** – Lynne James reminded us that our volunteer hours are due in January.

**Refreshment** – Lynne James thanked our Refreshment Committee for the decorations and all who brought the Christmas goodies. Leftovers will be distributed to MCT Credit Union and Hebert Library.

**Scholarship Committee** – Lynne James explained the MJCRSP Scholarship Timeline for 2016-2017. (Timeline attached.) A sign-up sheet to indicate what businesses we would be approaching to sell ads was circulated.

### **Unfinished Business**

**Officer Elections** –Gail Krohn announced that all the present officers have agreed to continue to hold their respective offices for another year. Nominations were called for from the floor. There being none, the slate of officers was elected by acclamation. They are: President, Lynne James; 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President, Linda Harrison; 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President, Patricia Allen; and Secretary, Donna Lumpkin.

**Election of Convention Delegates** –State Convention delegates Patricia Allen, Wanda Borne, Clara Graham, Lynne James, and Linda Pinner, and alternates Becky Dungan and Dana Wasser were elected by acclamation.

### **New Business**

None

### **Program**

Gail Krohn introduced Ken Burke and his band, *Redeemed*, who graced us with sounds and songs of the Christmas season.

### **Announcements**

•**Newsletter deadline** – Submissions by 12/27/16; assembly on 12/29/16

•**January 10, 2017, meeting-**

▪Program: David Long of Calder Woods Retirement Living

▪Refreshments: Chairman Rosalee Reese, Linda Briggs, Becky Dungan, and Linda Fong

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 2:45 p.m. with 24 members and 7 guests present.

Donna Lumpkin, Recording Secretary

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