

Pinellas Education Employees Retired

February 15, 2016

The meeting was called to order at 10:02 am by President Jana Maples.

Good crowd! Jana welcomed everyone!

Agenda - moved, seconded and approved with flexibility.

Nancy Adams from the Supervisor of Elections Office welcomed everyone to assist in the upcoming elections. They need Poll workers, assist in opening mail-in ballots and answering questions in the Call Center. You may apply on-line and attend training.

Members Present: Marjorie Merrill, Jerree Blanchard, Karen Zwissler, John Tomlinson, Margie Stonom, Mary Miskin, Allin Turner, Pat Rhinehart, Cindy Schuler, Helen Wanke, Sarah Byers, Dave Byers, Linda Aster, Sandy Hammond, Sandy Rud, Dallas Schimke, Gloria Smith, Nancy Cohen, Joanne Lentino, Denise Kirchban, Tina Allen, Rick Pope, Kathy Bell, Moreland Bollinger, Darleen Bollinger, Dee Bell, Teresa Durling, Donna Skibo, Linda McGeehan, Sylvia Macdonald, Kathy Schenato, Garth Albury, Janice Koch, Linda Proulx, Janice Blaine, Carolyn Underwood, Esther Albertson, Marilyn Warner, Jana Maples

Program - presented by Liat Golan, RD,LD/N, Bee Well Nutrition. Great advice for nutrition as we age.

Jana had beautiful handmade scarves for a silent auction benefiting our scholarship fund.

Minutes November and January minutes were approved as amended.

Karen Karinja from the League of Women Voters advised us that February 16 is the last date to register or make changes for the Primary Election. She had forms available.

Reports

President - Jana Maples

- Thanks to everyone who attend the Enough is Enough Bus Rally
- She asked for volunteers to call members who do not attend the meetings so we can be sure we have the correct information for the new directory.
- Martha Karvowitz is sewing quilts made from teacher t-shirts. Let Jana know if you have t-shirts to donate.
- Medicare Webinar is available. Contact Jana or Marilyn for access information.
- Remember to keep Flint Michigan folks in our thoughts
- Registration forms for the FEA RA and NEA Convention are due by February 20

Vice-president Report - Kathy Bell Sharon Flory sends her appreciation to everyone who assisted her and sent warm wishes during her back surgery recovery. She is feeling better. Her mom is in rehab,

Treasurer Report - Richard Pope As of December 31, 2015

\$5,642.86 Checking Balance \$23,919.61 Savings Balance Encumbered Balance \$1,970.00 = Total unencumbered \$27, 592.47

Membership - Emilie Carter 320 members

District Director/Volunteer Hours/Food Bank – Allin Turner

Allin reported 590 volunteer hours in January for a yearly total of 10,601. We collected 34 pounds of food in January. 248 pounds of food have been delivered to the food bank this year.

FEA-R President - Marilyn Warner

Marilyn attended FEA-R Board of Directors meeting and the Governance meeting that followed. She met with members in Ft. Myers to explain the M.O.R.E. program. She thanked everyone who brought items for the Blessing Bags. She assembled many bags. Gloria will deliver them to Pinellas Hope after the meeting.

Political Action/PCTA-PESPA PAC – Carolyn Underwood reported that Ethelstine is doing better. Carolyn sent around the PAC envelope for contributions.

PEER Scholarship –Terry Plaia No report

Pipeline – Marty Shapiro is working on the PEER Directory. Please be sure to submit any corrections ASAP. Watch for the Pipeline news to be emailed to your home.

Flea Market - Linda McGeehan No report.

Unfinished Business

- **PCTA/PESPA Staff Update** Bruce Proud retired in December. Also there are 2 UniServ positions to full.
- **Ronald McDonald House Dinner** March 30 Please sign up to help and/or donate to cover the cost of the food
- **MORE Activity** Our PEER calling committee will be meeting soon to plan the next event
- **Mentoring** Books from the First Book AFT Project have been delivered to Melrose Elementary
- **Read Across America** materials from NEA have not arrived yet

New Business

- **Baskets for Silent Auction for FEA delegate assembly in October** – Discussion postponed until next meeting

Next Meeting March 21 Charity Donation for March – PEER Scholarship Fund

Adjourn 12:17 pm

Respectfully Submitted

Gloria Smith, Secretary