

## Pinellas Education Employees Retired

March 20, 2017

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 am by PEER president, Jana Maples. Jana expressed her thanks to Debra Jackson, Sharon Feldhake for the PESPA baskets and gifts. And thank you to the ESP members for the wonderful breakfast!

**Members Present:** Ethelstine Harris, Jerree Blanchard, Marjorie Merrill, Gloria Smith, JoAnne Wilson, Karen Campbell, Dallas Schimke, Carolyn Underwood, Tina Allen, Jana Maples, Debra Jackson, Sharon Feldhake, John Tomlinson, Janice Blaine, Terry Plaia, Kathy Bell, Carole Pope, Rick Pope, Janet Williams, Sylvia Macdonald, Dee Bell, Linda McGeehan, Janice Koch, Donna Grigas, Sharon Stern, Margie Stonom, Connie Lynch, Nancy Cohen

**Program:** Carolyn Underwood introduced our guest speaker Mike Vetter, Pinellas County teacher on special assignment Performing Arts Technology. Mike shared his recent trip to Cuba.

**Agenda:** Motion was made, seconded, and approved with flexibility.

**Minutes:** Motion was made, seconded, and approved.

### Reports

**President - Jana Maples reported as follows:**

- Nan Lanham is recuperating. Carole sent her a card from us.
- Sang Happy Birthday to Jana and Gloria
- USF will provide the breakfast for the April meeting.
- Dave Byers obituary was published in the March 10 Tampa Bay Times. Sarah has moved to Pine Crest 1150 8<sup>th</sup> Ave SW #1202 Largo, FL 33770. Sarah is doing okay. Linda McGeehan and John Tomlinson have provided some meals for her and is encouraging her to let us know if there is anything she needs. Sarah has requested that we remember Dave by sharing fond memories and stories after the May meeting.
- Emilie Carter has moved to Regency Oaks Apt. 410

**Vice President – Carolyn Underwood** Thanks to Carolyn for inviting Mike to share his Cuba trip with us. Please contact Carolyn with any program suggestions.

**Treasurer Report – Richard Pope**

Operating Account \$6,278.33 Savings Account \$23,919.61

**Membership – Emilie Carter** No report

**District Director/Volunteer Hours/Food Bank – Allin Turner** No Report

**FEA-R President - Marilyn Warner** No report Marilyn is attending NEA-R Organizing Conference

**Political Action/PCTA-PESPA PAC Ethelstine Harris** reported on the March GR meeting and a telephone meeting with Darryl Rouson. She collected \$33 in PAC donations.

**PEER Scholarship – Terry Plaia** thanked the membership for their \$77 donation to the scholarship fund. There are two applicants to consider. The decision meeting is planned for March 27.

**Pipeline – Marty Shapiro** Please see Jana for any changes that need to be done in the directory.

**Flea Mark- Linda McGeehan** Dates have been set for the new teacher Flea market. Set up will be August 3 and 4. The market will be August 5<sup>th</sup> and August 12<sup>th</sup>.

## **Unfinished Business**

- Carolyn, Jana and Debra attended the M.O.R.E. meeting on March 2<sup>nd</sup>. They will have a report for us at the May meeting.
- The Ronald McDonald dinner will be held on May 1. Thank you to everyone who donated funds to purchase the food, made 75 cards and donated 50 stamps for them and have signed up to prepare the dinner and serve as the clean-up crew!
- Everyone should have received their NEA and /or FEA assembly nomination forms. Please mail them back ASAP.
- At last meeting there were several questions about inservice availability, recertification and substituting. Gloria answered some of the questions for the group and will prepare a brief report in writing to be available at the next meeting.

## **New Business**

- Baskets for Silent Auction for FEA delegate assembly in October – ideas and volunteers  
Suggestions: Maple syrup/candies etc. Gently used book basket Chocolate/Wine Basket  
Volunteers: Carolyn Underwood, Linda McGeehan

## **Next Meeting April 17**

**Charity Donations for April** Donations for the Silent Auction Basket(s), PAC and RCS Food Bank

Adjourn 11:37

Respectfully submitted,

Gloria Smith, Secretary