

HIGHLAND COUNTY RETIRED TEACHERS ASSOCIATION

May 1, 2017

The meeting was held at the Greenfield United Methodist Church.

PROGRAM: Tours of the beautiful historic church were available upon arrival and an excellent performance by the Greenfield McClain High School Show Choir followed a delicious lunch prepared by members of the church.

MEETING:

President R.D. Hottle convened the business meeting at 1:00. The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance, God Bless America, and prayer.

Reporting officers:

- **Secretary** – Pamela Nickell referenced the minutes of the February meeting included with the newsletter. No corrections.
Motion to approve – Jim Faust Second – Kathy Levo Approved
- **Treasurer** – Doris Pulse
192.50 collected for New Directions
161.50 collected for Scholarship Fund
Reported total assests of 6278.37 (2420.61 checking, 3857.76 CDs)
Motion to approve – Donna Armstrong Second – Joyce Baker Approved
- **Scholarship** - No Report
- **Membership** – Bob Hottle reminded every member to contact new retirees and invite them to join.
- **Necrology** – Cindy Eigel (Full report on file)

James Thomas Stodgel, January 26, 2017

Barbara Alice Tressler, February 14, 2017

Marlene K. Spangler, February 17, 2017

Terry Eugene Roush, February 28, 2017

Richard M. Blankenship, March 7, 2017

Jeffrey Alan Anderson, March 7, 2017

Barbara E. Sweeney, March 18, 2017

Georgiana Barrett, March 20, 2017

Marlene Thompson, April 6, 2017

William E. Strain, April 17, 2017

Thomas Floyd Archibald, April 23, 2017

Mary E. Crouch, April 24, 2017

- **Legislative** – Charles Newland gave a report 'Just the Facts' on STRS activity. STRS continues to receive top service level score. STRS Board voted to eliminate cost of living increases for the next 5 years. (Report on file)
- **Pre-retirement** – No report.
- **Community Service** – Daryl Uhrig - moved that a minimum of 80.00 be given to Lynchburg Ready Fest in August. Second - Thelma Coffey

Amendment by Elaine Riggle that any excess be distributed to other schools as determined at August meeting. Second - Joyce Baker Amendment passed.

Elaine Riggle moved motion as amended.

Second - Jim Faust Motion passed as amended

- **Website** – No report.

OLD BUSINESS - None

NEW BUSINESS

- **Happy Birthday (April, May, June Birthdays)** was sung to **Elaine Riggle and Marilyn Myers.**
- **Jim Faust** suggested 40.00 registration fee be paid for attendee(s) to **ORTA Spring Conference.**
 - Motion - Pat Hope**
 - Second - Joyce Baker**
 - Passed**
- **Kathy Levo** asked for a volunteer to oversee decorating the **HCRTA Christmas Tree** at the **Highland House** this year. **Joyce Baker** volunteered.
- **Next meeting** – August 7, 2017 at **Highland County Senior Citizens Center.**
Speaker Sherri Bailey, Genealogy Specialist
- **November 6th** – Pension protection

ADJOURNED by acclamation

**OUR FAVORITE BAKED CHICKEN
(METHODIST CHICKEN)**

Roberta Riley

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| 4 whole chicken breasts (8 splits) | 4 slices white bread, finely crumbled (1 slice equal 1/2 c.) |
| 1 can cream of chicken soup | 3/4 c. butter, melted |
| 3/4 c. bottled Ranch dressing | |

Place chicken in buttered pan. Sprinkle with salt, basil, and oregano. Cover with crumbs. Mix soup, Ranch dressing, and butter and pour over. Bake, uncovered, at 350° for 1 1/2 hours. Serves 8.

For a lower fat version, use skinned chicken, diet Ranch dressing, and a reduced amount of diet margarine in place of the butter.