

HIGHLAND COUNTY RETIRED TEACHERS ASSOCIATION

February 1, 2016

Program: Sharon Bedard, Executive Director of Highland County Habitat for Humanity.

- Community Project was a money tree for Habitat for Humanity

Business Meeting: @1:00

- Vice President Report: Jim Faust asked members to introduce themselves and include where and what and how long they taught. He reported the programs for this year are as follows:
 - May: David White, Hillsboro Vocal Director with a choral group
 - August: A program on Scams, etc. presented by a member of DeWine's Office
 - November: STRS presentation of Health Care
 - The VP also announced an area ORTA meeting will be held in Xenia later in the season.
 - The annual audit was completed and approved at the Dec 4th Executive Meeting.
- Secretary's Report: There were no corrections or additions.
- Treasurer's Report: \$245.00 current cash on hand. This was the only change from Dec 30, 2015 financial report included in the newsletter.
- Necrology Report: Opal Armstrong reported the following deaths:
 - Ellen Marie Alexander: Born June 5, 1922. Passed away December 14, 2015. Taught 2 years at Blue Creek, 2 years at Lynchburg-Clay and substituted for many years in Highland County.
 - Joseph (Joe) Temple: Born June 28, 1935. Passed away January 1 2016. 32 years of elementary teaching and administration in New Market, Pricetown, and Marhsall.
 - William E. McFadden, Jr.: Born March 15, 1936. Passed away December 13, 2015. Taught in the Greenfield School system 34 years and was Director of Guidance at McClain High School. Member of HCRTA.
 - James Patrick: Born April 9, 1943. Passed away January 4, 2016. Was Band Director at Manchester and later at Hillsboro and was Principal at Hillsboro.

Opal announced she will be retiring in May.

- Scholarship: Glenn Armstrong is also retiring. Mary Black was appointed to this position.
- Membership: A committee of members from each school in Highland County was formed: Bright Local- Loretta Dean; Fairfield Local-Nona Van Den Berg; Greenfield Local-Rhonda Simpson; Lynchburg-Clay Local-Jim Faust; Hillsboro City-Beverly Rhoads. Their duties will include contacting new retirees, notifying HCRTA of possible teachers retiring, etc.
- Retirement Planning: Elaine Riggles discussed the plans for a Pre-Retirement Event. She has discussed the issue with STRS. They are willing to put on a program at our convenience. She asked for help setting up the program. The Membership Committee is assigned to assist.
- Community Service: Daryel Uhrig was not present. It was suggested we donate to the Southern Ohio Pregnancy Center since Mother's Day is in May.

Old Business

- Committee Chairs to be filled: Charlie Newland was appointed to fill the Legislative position; Mary Black was appointed to fill the Scholarship position; Membership will be the Committee of Five.
- Program for May 2: David White is bringing a choral group.

New Business

- Bob Hottle requested that Mary Black, Scholarship Chair, and Doris Pulse, Treasurer, be assigned access to HCRTA CDs. Kathy Levo so moved, Jim Faust seconded. Motion approved by members.

Meeting adjourned at 1:50.