

**Minutes: WOEА-Retired Meeting June 15, 2016**  
Tour of Boston Stoker Factory, 10855 Engle Road, Vandalia, OH  
Lunch at El Rancho Grande 7500 Poe Ave., Vandalia, OH

The meeting was called to order at 12:45 p.m. by Jane Rahn. Introductions. The meeting was reconvened after lunch by Jane Rahn at 12:50 p.m. Those present were: Emmy Brudzynski, Sheila Campbell, Anneliese DiGiacomo, Sandy Dobberstein, Warlita Duvall, Carolyn Elam, Jo Fehl, Sandy Freeman, Jennie Furnas, Phil Long, Pat Lynch, Debbie Owens, Jane Rahn, Willie Terrell, Jr., Marsha Tolle, Joni Watson (pre-retired member and DEA Vice-President), Barbara Weikert and Dawn Wojick. Guest: Sophia Rodriguez (pre-retired member from Celina involved in NEA, WOEА as current President and OEA). She expressed that the local, state retirees must be involved and work together, be teams members and connect (network).

Sandy Dobberstein moved to accept the May 2016 minutes as written. Seconded by Dawn Wojick. Motion carried.

Treasurer's report \$5,780.38 balance on hand. Stamps were purchased. Bills submitted for costs of two pre-retirement workshops. Report will be filed for audit.

**Chairperson Report:**

\*A report entitled *Our Vision for High Quality Public Education for All Students* created by the OEA Commission on Student Success by members of the OEA was published May 2016 and highlighted in recent issue of Ohio Schools. Jane reported that there will be no calendar this year.

\* Educator Appreciation Night at the Columbus Crew is July 16th. For details visit: [ColumbusCrew.com/educator](http://ColumbusCrew.com/educator)

\*FCPE donations any time by going to website [www.ohea.org](http://www.ohea.org). These donations help fund candidates who are PRO-PUBLIC Education.

\*STRS Updates: if not on list to receive updates via email can contact STRS and ask to be placed on their [news@lists.strs.org](mailto:news@lists.strs.org). to receive them.

\*If a member of OEA/NEA-Retired and you are not receiving the OEA-Retired *Newsline* by email or snail mail contact OEA in Columbus.

\*Send any updates for communication and or new member info to Jane or Phil Long and Willie Terrell, Jr.

\*Jane shared the summary of the results from the meeting with OEA-R Membership Grant Committee members from May 23rd. Grant called Media + Motivation = Members. It was well attended, very informative and positive. Jane reported that they accomplished making a CD and an informative brochure. The members of the group complemented Jane on a job well done and all the hours spent.

\*Attended the WOEА Bd. of Directors planning meeting June 2, 2016. WOEА-Retired will work with committee Collective Bargaining chaired by Lori Moodie to present topic: *What is the Association? Who are You?*

\*WOEA funding for pre-retirement workshop for 2016-17. Hold prior to March 14, 2017.

**Vice Chairperson Report:**

Emmy Brudzynski RSVP: 937-813-7661 or emmy.brudzynski@wright.edu  
Note: all programs start at 11:00 a.m. Sandy Dobberstein will be the new Vice Chairperson.

**September 21, 2016:** 11:00 a.m. Location: Company 7 BBQ 1001 S. Main St., Englewood, OH 45322. Program presented by Woodland Historic Cemetery: "History, Mystery, Mayhem & Murder." Enjoy fellowship food and thrills at our fall meeting. These stories are actual accounts of Dayton's own bank robbers, counterfeiters and murders. Graphic details are given and may not be appropriate for all audiences. Do you dare to attend?

**October 19, 2016:** Location: Fly Boy's Deli in Oakwood. We will preorder lunch. Checks are to be made out to WOEa-R and given to Emmy at the September meeting or mailed to her prior to Oct. 11.

**November 16, 2016:** Location: Green Fire Bistro in Tipp City. Program will be on photography.

**December 14, 2016:** In the planning stage.

**Committee Reports:**

Newsletter Editor: Sandy Freeman has agreed to continue for another year. Deadline for information is August 15.

Mailing: Willie Terrill Jr.: Next mailing: Tuesday, August 30<sup>th</sup> at the DEA Office.

Membership: Phil Long reported two new members and one death. Please encourage friends to join.

Community Outreach...Artemis: Nancy Mullins, chair. She was absent do to medical problems.

Sunshine, Due to Nancy Brown's death, Deb Owens will be the new sunshine chairperson. She reported that cards are being sent to Nancy Brown's family, Carol Gerhard, Barbara Bradfute and Nancy Mullins. Anneliese thanked everyone for the cards sent to her.

Legislative: Dawn Wojick reported that we need to keep up and be aware of issues. We need to support Hillary and those legislators involved in public education. If you have time to volunteer, people are needed for the phone banks. Contact Joni Watson if interested.

**New Business:**

Board meeting scheduled for July 20th at Jane Rahn's home. Time: 9:00 a.m. All officers and committee members were asked to attend.

**Old Business:**

Jane reported that Phil Long gave information from Guy Kendall-Freas about keeping records together in a safe place (car title, birth certificate, wills, and mortgage). Phil shared at the May meeting. If you have any questions, contact Phil.

### **Announcements for the Good of the Order:**

**Carol Gerhard** is back at home in Piqua as of 6/8/2016. She appreciates hearing from friends and colleagues. Carol's home address: P. O. Box 335 Piqua, OH 45356 Cell #937-238-6718

**Nancy Brown** passed on June 13<sup>th</sup>. Emmy B. read about all her involvements in her life especially all the things she did for her accomplishments in education written by Marsha Tolle. Debbie Owens moved that WOEА-Retired donate \$50.00 to WOEА-R Scholarship Fund in memory of Nancy Brown, the founder of WOEА-Retired, 1989. Seconded by Jo Fehl. Motion passed. Members could also donate to the Scholarship Fund which was created in 2012 while updating The Guidelines and Policy, and writing the Job Descriptions for WOEА-R. Send checks to WOEА-R (memo scholarship fund) 2343 Ravenwood Ave. Dayton, OH 45406.

Debbie Owens reported: **1.** Boonshoft is looking for volunteers to help anytime throughout the year. Summer time is very busy and they could use help. **2.** The WSU College of Education has very few scholarships and wants to raise money for students entering the field of education. There is a trivia night on September 30, 2016. She ask members to think about attending that evening and to think about donating a basket for the event which could have information about us. **3. Luncheon 2016** features former Congresswoman Betty Sutton. 11:30am -1:00 pm Friday, August 19 at the Dayton convention Center 22 E. 5th St., Dayton, OH 45402. Tickets \$30. RSVP Aug. 10 [www.montgomerydems.org](http://www.montgomerydems.org) or mail a check to MСDP HQ 313S. Jefferson St. Ste.102 Dayton, Oh 45402

**Save the date: 1.** OEA-Retired Statewide Fall Conference. Wed., Sept. 14, 2016 in Columbus. RSVP: Sept. 2, 2016. Cost \$15. Conference is at STRS building in Columbus. Details printed in May-June Discover New Horizons and will be published in the OEA-R Newslіne. Mansfield, OH. Sponsored by NCOEA and NWOEA Districts. [www.retiredamericans.org](http://www.retiredamericans.org) Alliance for Retired Americans

**2.** OEA-Retired Spring Conference. April 26, 2017 at Kingwood Center in—Mansfield, OH. Sponsored by NEA and NWOEA Districts.

### **Dates to remember in 2016:**

July 12 Article(s) due to OEA Newslіne editor.

June 29-30 NEA-R Annual Meeting, Washington D. C.

July 2-6 NEA Representative Assembly, Washington D. C.

November 9 WOEА Fall Forum

### **Important dates in 2017:**

April 12<sup>th</sup> - WOEА Spring Representative Assembly.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:30 p.m.

**FYI: Contact information:**

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Past Chairperson: Nancy Brown (deceased)

**A well deserved thank you to Jane Rahn for her excellent leadership to WOEА-R for the past years was expressed.**

Respectively submitted: Jennie Furnas