

WOEA-Retired Meeting – December 20, 2017  
Coco's Bistro, 250 Warren Street, Dayton  
Lisa from Day Break, speaker

Lisa from Day Break spoke to the group. Day Break was founded in 1975. They work with teens from 10 to 18. They also have a unit for 18 – 29 year old children. These teens come to Day Break for assistance. Thanks to the members for the donations of food and money for the organization.

The meeting was called to order by President Phil A. Long at 11:45 a.m.

Those present were: Carolyn Boze, Emmy Brudzynski, Sandy Dobberstein, Deb Drake, Warlita Duvall, Jo Fehl, Jennie Furnas, Phil Long, Pat Lynch, Elvira Montgomery, Nancy Mullins, Deb Owens, Marge Punter, Virgenea Roberts, Val Rodan, Willie Terrell, Barbara Weikert, Dawn Wojcik and Wayne Wlodarski.

Wayne Wlodarski is from the WOEa office in Troy. He reminded the attendees to keep the dates of February 10<sup>th</sup> at Wapakenta, Ohio and March 10<sup>th</sup> at Miamisburg Middle School. Reminded everyone to be aware of happenings with the public schools.

Sandy Dobberstein [sdobberstein@juno.com](mailto:sdobberstein@juno.com) or 937-554- 6338. Reminded everyone to please arrive a few minutes early to register and pick up handouts. Anything sent as an attachment(handout) will not be available in print at the meeting, please bring own copies.

Carolyn Boze made a motion to approve the minutes as corrected. Carolyn attended the November meeting. Seconded by Deb Owens. Motion approved.

Pat Lynch gave the treasurer's report.

Total assets November 30, 2017; Scholarship: \$1,334.70, Checking: \$ 3,954.83, CD: \$2500.00 Total: \$6,454.83. Val Rodan moved to approve the report as presented. Second by Elvira Montgomery. Motion approved.

**Chairperson Report:**

Vice Chairperson Report: Sandy Dobberstein 937-554- 6338 or [sdobberstein@juno.com](mailto:sdobberstein@juno.com)  
Save the dates for the following 2018 Programs:

**March 21<sup>st</sup>** Program: 11:00 AM Montgomery County Environmental Learning Center (2500 Sandridge Drive, Moraine.) for a free tour. The Montgomery County Environmental Learning Center (ELC) is a resource center, featuring hands-on, interactive exhibits and a "green" parking lot. The ELC is an investment in the future of our region to help citizens and businesses learn how to conserve resources and improve the quality of life in our community. Following the tour, we will meet for lunch at 12 noon at Chappys Tap Room and Grille in their private room. (2733 W Alex Bell Rd, Moraine).

**April 18<sup>th</sup>** Program: 2018 OEA-R SPRING CONFERENCE at Carillon Park. We are the co-sponsors with SWOEA. Registration will begin at 9:40 a.m. and the activities will conclude by 2:15 when you are free to continue to explore Carillon Park. In order to

attend and receive a lunch you **MUST REGISTER** and submit payment of \$25 **PRIOR** to APRIL 11, 2018, TO SWOEA OFFICE, C/O Claudia Miller, 270 Northland Blvd., Suite 224, Cincinnati, OH 45246. This is your chance to attend a state meeting without leaving Dayton!!

**May 16<sup>th</sup>** Program, lunch, and business meeting: 11:00 AM, the Dayton Masonic Center, 525 West Riverview Avenue, Dayton. The Dayton Masonic Center, formerly known as the Dayton Masonic Temple, is a historically significant building in Dayton. It was built by a Masonic Temple Association formed from 14 Masonic groups. The building was completed over a 2 year, 9 month period and completed in 1928 by 450 workers. We will tour the building then have lunch in the Square and Compasses Cafe, in the Masonic Center followed by our business meeting.

**June 20<sup>th</sup>** Program, lunch and business meeting: 11:00 AM, the Dayton Public Library 215 E Third Street, Dayton. On August 5, 2017, the doors of the new Main Library in downtown Dayton opened to the public. Built upon the strong structural core of the 1962 building, the Main Library is four times the size of the previous building. With expansive park and city views, six original art installations, meeting places and gathering spaces of all sorts, the Main Library is a destination for exploration, learning and discovery. After a private tour we will get lunch at the library café, eat, and have our business meeting in private room #3A, 3rd floor (There is an elevator).

Contact Sandy Dobberstein for **ALL** Programs, Phone: 937-554- 6338 or 937-771- 0669 or Email: [sdobberstein@juno.com](mailto:sdobberstein@juno.com)

### **Committee Reports:**

Newsletter Editor: Sandy Coe. Information will be sent out.

Mailing: Willie Terrill, Jr. Information will be sent out. Thanks to: Emmy B., Jane R., Elvira M., Pat L., Willie T., David Romick for helping with the mailings. Welcome to anyone who would like to assist.

Membership: Emmy Brudzynski and Jane Rahn – please talk to friends about attending/joining WOE-R.

Community Outreach: Artemis: Nancy Mullins - They assist 5-7 families per week, 4,387 victims of domestic violence, 98% court accompaniments, 17% more families experience domestic violence receive family therapy. (These are just a few things Artemis does for the community.)

Legislative: Dawn Wojcik Be aware of happenings in public education. FCPE – 10 people gave \$226.00. To date we have collected \$706.00.

Read Across America: Val Roldan asked those interested to please sign up. A paper was passed around. Can go to schools of your choice but please inform Val.

Uniserv Council reports have not met but will in January.

Far West, Miami A&B, Western – Sandy Dobberstein

Grand Lake, Grand Old River – Phil A. Long

Greene Co., Happy Trails – Jane Rahn

### **Old Business:**

OEA-R delegates met at their Fall Delegate Assembly on December 1, 2017 at

the STRS Building. The OEA officers spoke to the delegates. Becky Higgins spoke about the importance of the 2018 governors race and how all members need to be involved. Scott DiMauro gave a legislative update and talked about the importance of FCPE. Money will be needed for the governor's race and other state races that will be happening in 2018. Tim Myers talked about the budget and membership. Various reports were given from the NEA directors, the OEA Board of Directors, the OEA Legislative Committee and the OEA Audit Committee. Guidelines were discussed concerning Appointed Terms and Elections. The final credentials report showed there were 44 delegates in attendance. The final FCPE report showed 41 delegates contributed \$2,100. There was an FCPE giveaway before the meeting was adjourned. Senator Brown attended and spoke. He is rated as the highest rated elected official in Ohio.

OEA-R Spring Conference – Phil/Sandy D. Will be held in Dayton. Please make sure that you send in your \$25.00 for registration early. This is our regular meeting date. Still need gifts for the conference. Bring them to the March meeting. Deb Owens is wrapping them for the conference.

Ohio House District Screenings: 39 – Walita Duvall(Chair and delegate); 80– Jane Rahn; 41 – Sandy Coe(Chair and delegate); 42 – Willie Terrell(delegate); 43 – Val Roldan; 73 – Deb Owens; 40 – Sandy Dobberstein(Chair); 84 – Phil Long(Chair and delegate) – Screening Training at Fall Forum.

Report from Scholarship Donation Committee: Deb O., Carolyn E., Pat L. There will be information in the newsletter and a form to be filled out by members.

### **New Business:**

Portage County Board DD SSAs (Unit B) Strike – settled first of December. There was no retribution. They fought a great fight. They became closer with the community.

Wayne reported that Bethel has been negotiating since March. They had 7 running for school board. They incumbents did not win. He reminded again that everyone should support public education. January 31st is OEA Lobby Day at 10:00 a.m.

\*Remember to bring a friend/guest/ retired ESP and/or educator to a meeting!

\*Encourage fellow colleagues and friends to join us.

[www.retiredamericans.org](http://www.retiredamericans.org) Alliance for Retired Americans

-- NEA Member Benefits on Facebook and Twitter

<http://www.neamb.com/assets/content/documents>

### **Dates in 2018:**

March 18-19, 2018 - NEA-R Organizing Conference Chicago, IL

March 21, 2018 – WOE-R Meeting = Environmental Learning Center.

April 18, 2018 - WOE-R/ OEA-R Spring Conference at Carrillon Historic Park, Dayton. WOE-R is sponsor.

Meeting adjourned at 1:10 p.m. Have a very Happy Holiday.