

WEOA-Retired Meeting - November 15, 2017  
TJ Chump's, 750 Executive Blvd., Huber Heights  
Dr. Joseph Keferi from Wright State University

The meeting was called to order by President Phil A. Long at 12:10 p.m.

Those present were: Emmy Brudzynski, Sandy Dobberstein, Deb Drake, Warlita Duvall, Carolyn Elam, Sandy Freeman, Jennie Furnas, Phil Long, Pat Lynch, Elvira Montgomery, Deb Owens, Marge Punter, Jane Rahn, Willie Terrell, Barbara Weikert and Dawn Wojcik.

Marge Punter moved to approve the minutes of October 18, 2017 as written. Seconded by Dawn Wojcik. Motion carried.

Pat Lynch gave the Treasurer's report. Total assets as of October 31, 2017; Scholarship: \$1334.70; Checking: \$3810.16 with a Total: \$6460.16. Elvira Montgomery moved to approve the treasurer's report. Seconded by Deb Owens. Motion carried.

**Chairperson Report:** Phil Long presented a written report.

**Vice Chairperson Report:** Sandy Dobberstein

December 20<sup>th</sup> Meeting and lunch at 11:00 a.m. at Coco's Bistro, 250 Warren St., Dayton. Instead of our traditional food drive, this year we will be donating to Daybreak Dayton RSVP by December 15 to Sandy Dobberstein . Phone: 937-554- 6338 or Email: [sdobberstein@juno.com](mailto:sdobberstein@juno.com)

March 21 will be our first meeting for 2018. Program: 11:00 a.m. at 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, 2733 W. Alex Bell Rd, Moraine.

April 18 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 p.m. and 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 Program, lunch, and business meeting: 11:00 AM, the Dayton Masonic Center, 525 West Riverview Ave., 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, followed by our business meeting.

June 20 Program, lunch and business meeting: 11:00 AM, the Dayton Public Library, 215 E Third St., 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. The next newsletter will be done in February. Phil Long will contact members.

Mailing: Willie Terrill Jr. A big thank you to: Emmy Brudzynski, Jane Rahn, Elvira Montgomery, Pat Lynch, Willie Terrill and David Romick with the mailing.

Membership: Emmy Brudzynski and Jane Rahn

Sunshine: Debbie Owens. Thanks to Deb for mailing cards.

Legislative: Dawn Wojcik. Reminded the group to be aware of legislation for public education. Keep in touch with Mike Turner by calling 202-225-6455 and Jim Jordan at 202-225-2676. 13 people gave to FCPE for a total of \$172.00. To date the total is \$480.00. Thanks to all who donate.

WEOA – Collective Bargaining: Jane Rahn. The meeting will be in the evening.

Uniserv Council reports: All submitted written reports.

Far West, Miami A&B, Western – Sandy Dobberstein : was given great information.

Grand Lake, Grand Old River – Phil A. Long: Insurance was the main concern.

Greene Co., Happy Trails – Jane Rahn: They will meet on November 16, 2017.

OEA-R At-Large – Jane Rahn.

### **Old Business**

Election of OEA-R Delegates: Sandy Coe and Willie Terrell. Alternate: Warlita Duvall. Phil will do a WEOA basket for the raffle at OEA.

OEA-R Spring Conference – Phil/Sandy There is a meeting in February. Registration in March. We need give door prizes for the conference.

Ohio House District Screenings: 39 – Walita Duvall; 80 – Jane Rahn; 41 – Sandy Coe; 42 – Willie Terrell; 43 – Val Rodan; 73 – Deb Owens; 40 – Sandy Dobberstein; 84 – Phil Long – Screening Training at Fall Forum.. The training is in the evening of November 15<sup>th</sup>.

Report from Scholarship Donation Committee: Deb Owens, Carolyn Elam, Pat Lynch. Need donations for the Scholarship fund. Deb Owens is working on a form for donations.

WEOA Gala – Attendees: Sandy Dobberstein., Emmy Brudzynski, Jane Rahn, Willie Terrell, Dawn Wojcik, Pat Lynch, Arnetta D, Elvira Montgomery, Phil Long

Pre-Retired Awardees: Congratulations.

Sophia Rodriguez – 2017 WOEALeader of Distinction Award

Joni Watson – 2017 WOEALeader of the Year Award

### **New Business**

Portage County Board DD SSAs(Unit B) Strike – a thank you card was sent from Portage County. This was day 31 of the strike.

Tutoring: The Don Pablo Tutoring Service – Carl Moyler. They need volunteers. If interested contact Phil Long for information and number.

A discussion was held concerning reimbursement for meetings. There is a form that must be filled out after a meeting to get reimbursed. Some members were unaware of the procedures. Carolyn Elam moved that those who attended the fall conference can get their reimbursement. This is a first time offer and after this time the form must be filled out in the month of the meeting. Seconded by Elvira Montgomery. Motion carried.

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

Sandy Dobberstein – Rookie of the Year Award from the Cincinnati Zoo.

Phil Long informed the members that he joined DEA-R at their last meeting. He feels that the two organizations can work together. Carolyn Elam informed the group that the December meeting will be a University of Dayton for a tour of Christmas. The lunch will be at Jimmy's Ladder.

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>

### **Important dates in 2017 and 2018:**

November 15<sup>th</sup> WOEALeader Forum – WOEALeader-R members should attend – must register at 4:30 p.m.

December 1<sup>st</sup> - OEA-R Caucus STRS Building, Columbus.

December 2<sup>nd</sup> - OEA Rep. Assembly.

December 20<sup>th</sup> - WOEALeader-R Coco's Bistro.

March 18-19<sup>th</sup>, 2018 - NEA-R Organizing Conference, Chicago, IL.

April 18<sup>th</sup> 2018 - WOEALeader-R/ OEA-R Spring Conference, Carrillon Historic Park, Dayton WOEALeader-R sponsored.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:40 p.m.

Respectively Submitted: Jennie Furnas