## **WOEA-R Minutes**

10/16/24

Those in attendance: Emmy Brudzynski, Lori Moodie, Doris Moore, Debbie Owens, Mary Skare, Ernie Stockton, Clarice Thomas, Dawn Wojcik

Guest: Pastor Bill Moore

Call to Order: 12:04

Meeting was at Coco's Bistro

Introduction of Speaker: Debbie Owens

Speaker: Montgomery County Recorder, Stacey Benson-Taylor. Fraud Alert

Stacey was a labor leader for over 30 years. She spoke about the huge increase in housing fraud in Montgomery County. She discussed how people are able to steal people's houses on paper, without the owners even knowing it, until it's too late. It's a devastating crime to find out that you no longer own your house. Stacey's office monitors all activities on people's house deeds once they register so that they have a much better chance of catching the criminals before they get too far with the Deed theft. Instead of paying to use services like Life Lock to protect your deed, Stacey's office can protect your house for free. If you sign up, the Recorder's office will send a letter, email and/or a text anytime any activity happens on our property. The Recorders office also registers military members' DD214 and all registered POA's, so that they'll have it on record in case your paperwork gets lost. They'll also do TOD's (transfer of death) in order to make your property secure as it passes to the next generation. This keeps your house out of probate. You can put a TOD on your cars too. You can go online or call her office to get registered for any of these services. Stacey Benson-Taylor's program for WOEA-R members was extremely valuable and can save our properties.

Lunch and Socialization

Minutes: Secretary Lori Moodie (The September Minutes will be voted on in Nov.)

Officer's Reports:

-Chair's Report- Doris Moore

Doris discussed events she attended since the last meeting. NEA Director Report-They have a tentative 3 year agreement.

-Secretary's Report- Lori Moodie

If you can, please print out the agenda and minutes each month to bring to the WOEA-R each month, or you can just pull it up on your phone or device for the meeting. Feel free to invite others to come with you each month for our meetings.

-Financial Report- Nola Brooks (not in attendance)

Savings account- \$30.25 (from dues from a couple new members)

Money Market- \$5,164.71

Business account- \$378.86

-Past President's Report- Phil Long (not in attendance)

Standing Committee Reports:

-Community Outreach-Jane Rahn (not in attendance)

-Legislative Report- Dawn Wojcik

Ohea.org to get election information for who OEA has endorsed. There are several issues, including library, parks, Issue 1 on gerrymandering, etc. If you vote absentee check online to make sure it has been processed.

-Mailing- Willie Terrel (not in attendance)

-Membership- Emmy Brudzynski/Jane Rahn

-Sunshine Committee- Debbie Owens

They sent out 3 sympathy cards, 1 sunshine and 1 get well cards. The website is up to date, except for June.

NAACP- Willie Terrel (not in attendance)

Advisory Council- Joni Watson (not in attendance)

Elections- Phil Long (not in attendance)

WOEA Leadership Councils:

-Miami Valley A&B- Joni Watson (not in attendance)

-Greene County- Joni Watson (not in attendance)

-Happy Trails- Doris Moore (Doris went to this on Zoom; others were there in person). They are up and running and will have a newsletter out soon.

-2 Far West- Nola Brooks (not in attendance)

-Grand Old River- Annette Johnson (not in attendance)

-Grand Lake- Phil Long (not in attendance)

-Western- Doris Moore/Deloris Rome Hudson- Doris said that Huber Heights has 35 new hires and 30 new union members. They are giving out stipends for the "Science of Reading" training, but the treasurer said they can't write out separate checks because it's against the law. They're looking into what other districts are doing.

Milton Union- They are still a mess. WOEA is going to go to help them because their levy failed.

Trotwood- They have a new President. They hired 30 new teachers and are in negotiations this year.

WOEA Committee Reports:

Collective Bargaining- Lori Moodie – no report

Organizing Strategy- Phil Long- (not in attendance)

DLAMC- Doris Moore- no report

Legislative- Dawn Wojcik- Dawn Wojcik- no report

Unfinished Business: STRS Meetings are the 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of each month. Please attend if you can, so you can get info about what is going on with your pension.

New Business: none

Announcements: Next meeting- Nov. 20, 2024 at Shens's Szechuan & Sushi at 7570 Poe Ave. 11:00 AM

For the Good of the Order: Debbie said to always RSVP

-Register for Fall Forum on Nov. 20 at 4:30-7:30 at Wayne High School. There is a deadline.

Adjourne: 1:08