

BCRSPA
EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING
November 18, 2014

The meeting of the Board of Directors of the **BCRSPA** was called to order at 10:02 a.m. by President C. David Copenhaver at TABCO, 305 Joppa Road, Towson, Maryland.

Review of Minutes: The minutes of the September 16, 2014 Executive Board meeting and the Fall Luncheon Meeting were accepted as e-mailed.

Treasurer's Report: The Treasurer's report of October, 2014 was accepted and filed for audit. Dave Peters called attention to the FFFCU Money Market account containing the Association's Assets account and the Scholarship account totaling \$76,173.46. The Matt Tress scholarship money has been received and deposited. The total deposit was \$13,307.54.

Announcements/Communications:

Happy Birthday wishes to Wes Dean, Camille Marx, Stu Tucker, Bob Kane and C. David Copenhaver.

Plaques for Tree Margolis and Joan Pickens were available for the Board's perusal.

The archives file cabinet has been installed at TABCO for a total cost of \$206.00.

The President's first seminar, Scam Stoppers, had thirty people in attendance and was well received. Feedback from the seminar was distributed to the Board.

The meeting room at Saint Isaac Jogues has been changed to room one which is next to the chapel. No food or drink will be permitted in the room but may be placed and consumed in the foyer.

The Spring Luncheon Menu for 2015 was selected by Edna. Menus must be approved a year in advance.

The Fall Luncheon Menu for 2015 was selected by the Board – Appetizer: tropical fruit salad, Entrees: baked honey ham and turkey cutlet, Vegetables: bacon and cheese twice baked potatoes and green bean casserole, Dessert: ice cream sundae bar.

Ads for the "Update" were discussed. This item was previously approved by the Board. President Copenhaver will further investigate obtaining ads.

Thank you notes were received from Max Muller and Janet Williams.

MRSPA Community Service Awards were discussed. Clair Price and Kathy Dunkle will complete the forms for their community activity. The Executive Board will determine which one to submit. Donna Copenhaver has suggested a member featured in the current issue of the "Update" for the individual award and will complete the required form.

MRSPA leadership workshop information will be e-mailed.

MRSPA 70th anniversary celebration will be on May 12, 2015 at Turf Valley Resort and Spa in Ellicott City. Twenty delegates are assigned to BCRSPA and President Copenhaver wants to have a full delegation. Mary Lou Brown has agreed to showcase our organization at this meeting. Members wishing to attend must contact the president.

100 Most Wanted should continue to be contacted by the assigned board member. Keeping contact will help assure continual membership.

IRS has warned consumers about phone scams. Information was enclosed in the Board members packet. Also enclosed was the Consumer Guide for Seniors.

Parker Koons has assumed the chairmanship of Nomination Committee.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Archivist/Historian, TBD

Camille Marx stated that she may have someone to assume this position.

Ed Veit moved to have all committee chairpersons available at our luncheons to recruit members for their committees. Jack Woodward seconded the motion and the motion was approved. Committee chairpersons should be available at the Spring Luncheon.

Budget, Jack Woodward

Jack distributed the proposed budget for 2015-2016. Board members were asked to review items and submit changes to the President or him. Ed Veit moved that BCRSPA President conduct a leadership retreat to establish annual organizational goals, a budget, and events. This would need to be held in January since the Board must act on the budget in February so that it will be ready for publication for the Spring Luncheon. Mary Lou Brown seconded the motion and the motion was approved. President Copenhaver appointed Ed Veit to investigate and establish a timeline for his motion.

Community Service, Kathy Dunkle

Dave Peters reported Kathy received eighty-five dollars in checks and cash and thirty-five bags of food and school supplies were donated at the Fall Luncheon Meeting.

Constitution and Bylaw, George Sparks, Jr.

Ed Viet moved that the President of the BCRSPA appoint a special committee to review and revise the current bylaws. Jack Woodward seconded the motion and the motion was approved. Volunteers to serve on the committee will include Stu Tucker, George Sparks, Ed Veit and C. David Copenhaver. George Sparks is to set the meeting date.

Consumer Education, Joan Pickens

Joan is currently recuperating at home. Mary Lou Brown visited Joan and reported Joan requested to be replaced as chairperson.

Health Care/Insurance, David and Donna Copenhaver

David and Donna distributed copies titled "Vaccinations for Adults" from Immunization Action Coalition.

Legislation, Parker Koons

Parker distributed an MRSPA trifold of "Legislative Priorities 2015" and a list of Maryland Legislators for the Senate and House. He asked Board members to contact their elected officials to discuss items over a cup of coffee.

Membership Accounting, Charlotte Price

Total Membership 1876 (decrease of 72 or 3.7%)

8 New Members since our September meeting (49 since March 1st)

72 Members dropped November 1st due to no-payment of dues

7 Deceased Members (41 since March 1st)

15 BCRSPA Only Members

117 State Emeritus Members

83 Local Emeritus Members

1,771 MRSPA Dues Paying Members

1,676 BCRSPA Dues Paying Members

We lost 1/3 of the new members in 2013 after 1 year. Retention of membership is a problem to be addressed.

Membership Recruitment, Maryann Hughes

President Copenhaver reported thirty more potential members have been added to the list. Packets will be mailed to these potential members

Nominating, Parker Koons

Parker requested Board members to refer potential candidates to him.

Program, Edna Harris-Kurre

No report

Publication/Update, Donna Copenhaver

Donna announced the "Update" will be mailed the second week in December. Items for the next publication need to be submitted by January 15.

Remembrance Committee, Mary Ellen Zimmerman and Mary Lou Brown

Mary Lou Brown reported mailing Get Well cards to Mary Ellen Zimmerman, Jack Woodward and Donna Copenhaver. Three birthday cards were sent in October and ten card in November. A card has been returned from Mary K. Plott. MRSPA has notified Charlotte Price of the death of the following: Lynnallen Hughes, Mignon Velie, Richard DiStephano, Lucille Bergman, Mary Hemler and Helen J. Scott.

Scholarship, Edith Kozlowski and Camille Marx

Letter for Superintendent Dance's bulletin and to school counselors as a reminder of the scholarships has been sent. The committee was asked to notify the Future Educators Club sponsors of the scholarships available. This may help in getting more students entering education programs to apply. Donna Copenhaver will try to obtain the list of sponsors. It was decided that we would start awarding scholarships with priority for those planning to pursue the education field.

Travel/Social Committee, David and Donna Copenhaver

President Copenhaver reported the Cherry Blossom Luncheon Cruise for April 8 has been sold out. Other trips are under consideration. Update on the possible Executive Board/New Members Reception at a winery was given by C. David Copenhaver. No decision to hold the reception has been made as yet.

Representative Reports

BCASCO, Weston Dean

No report

TABCO, Jack Woodward

No report

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Tress Memorial Scholarship: Jack Woodward reopened his motion for a Matt Tress Memorial Scholarship starting next year at \$1500.00. The item was tabled pending information from Edna Harris-Kurre regarding any restrictions. It is hoped that the scholarship will be available in 2015-2016 year.

Facebook: Donna moved to investigate use of this media. Jack Woodward seconded the motion. It was suggested to obtain more information and to ask Maryann Hughes if she would spear head the project. The motion was approved.

NEW BUSINESS

Follow-up to Meeting with Dr. Dance: Donna Copenhaver reported the BCPS offer to use the Board Room for a meeting. BCRSPA would consider offering a group of volunteers to collate various projects, adopt a nontitle I school each year, rotating the geographic area, using money raised from one of the trips. Dr. Dance said he would be interested in a partnership where BCRSPA members would volunteer to mentor second to fifth year teachers. Camille Marx suggested donations to TABCO's Kid Care instead of to a non Title I school. Ed Veit agreed with Camille. These items were referred to the retreat for further discussion.

Budget Disbursement: Dave Peters requested verification for disbursing money to TABCO and Saint Isaac Jogues. \$150.00 will go to Saint Isaac Jogues and \$100.00 will go to TABCO for use of their buildings.

Shutterfly Site: President Copenhaver will investigate the use of the site for pictures and report to the Board at a later date.

Next Meeting: The next meeting of the Executive Board is January 20, 2015 at Saint Isaac Jogues, Room 1.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:10 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Robert L. Kane, Secretary

The following Executive Board members were in attendance:

<i>Mary Lou Brown</i>	<i>Edith Kozlowski</i>	<i>George Sparks, Jr.</i>
<i>C. David Copenhaver</i>	<i>Camille F. Marx</i>	<i>Stu Tucker</i>
<i>Donna Copenhaver</i>	<i>David Peters</i>	<i>Ed Veit</i>
<i>Robert Kane</i>	<i>Charlotte Price</i>	<i>Jack Woodward</i>
<i>Parker Koons</i>	<i>Clair Price</i>	<i>Linda Yaffe</i>

