

# **BCRSPA**

## **MINUTES OF EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING**

### **January 20, 2015**

The meeting of the Board of Directors of the **BCRSPA** was called to order at 10:11 a.m. by President David Copenhaver at St. Isaac Jogues, Cronin Center, Room 1.

**Review of Minutes:** The minutes of the November 18, 2014 Executive Board meeting were approved as e-mail

**Treasurer's Report:** The Treasurer's report of December, 2014 was received and filed for audit. The Matt Tress Scholarship Fund was briefly discussed and deferred to Unfinished Business on the agenda. Ed Veit expressed concerns regarding the IRS status and the item was tabled until the research is completed.

#### **President's Announcements/Communications:**

Happy Birthday wishes to Edna Harris-Kurre

President Copenhaver commented on two personal items: sending a draft of the agenda to Board members prior to the meeting for any additions or comments and staying on track while motions are being discussed.

Most wanted members being contacted by the Board Members are to be forwarded by e-mail to President Copenhaver.

Shutterfly site is up and running. The preliminary results indicate members are pleased to receive information. This is a means to easily communicate with members throughout the country. A suggestion was made to link this site with our website.

MRSPA United Seniors of Maryland legislative forum is on January 28, 2015.

MRSPA Scholarship raffle tickets are available for purchase. Edna Harris-Kurre moved to purchase the sixty tickets at a cost of \$100.00. Parker Koons seconded the motion. Any prize winning would be brought back to the Board for their action. The motion was approved.

Board members were reminded of a meeting following this one to discuss, plan, and formulate logistics to have committee members available to recruit members for their committees at the luncheons.

President Copenhaver introduced BJ Rounsaville, a new board member, and Joyce, a guest.

#### **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

##### **Archivist/Historian, Donna and David Copenhaver (interim)**

Both are receiving and distributing materials received and are following established formats. Edith Kozlowski will deliver the plaque to Tree.

##### **Budget, Jack Woodward**

Jack discussed his concerns over the proposed budget items for 2015-2016 fiscal year. The budget was referred back to committee.

##### **Community Service, Kathy Dunkle**

President Copenhaver requested Kathy to reiterate the donations received at the fall luncheon.

**Constitution and Bylaw, George Sparks, Jr.**

Ed Viet is chairman of the committee to review the bylaws. The committee will meet again to refine the bylaw changes.

**Consumer Education, Donna and David Copenhaver (interim)**

Items on airplane flights and bookings will be published in the March Newsletter.

**Health Care/Insurance, David and Donna Copenhaver (interim)**

Nothing has changed with the current coverage. The measles shot and supplement shots need to be followed up. Follow-up articles will be published in the Newsletter.

**Legislation, Parker Koons**

MRSPA committee will meet every two weeks to review action by the State Legislators to keep members informed. Members need to contact legislators about concerns by e-mail, telephone and/or letters. Board members should be on alert for any changes in retirement benefits.

**Membership Accounting, Charlotte Price**

Total Membership 1891 (decrease of 57 or 2.9%)

14 New Members since our November meeting. 5 members reinstated.  
(65 since March 1<sup>st</sup>)

Deceased Members (49 since March 1<sup>st</sup>)

113 State Emeritus Members

83 Local Emeritus Members

1,763 MRSPA Dues Paying Members

1,695 BCRSPA Dues Paying Members

15 BCRSPA Only Members

**Membership Recruitment, Maryann Hughes**

Maryann is ready for another mailing to future retirees.

**Nominating, Parker Koons**

Parker presented the following slate of officers:

President-elect	Donna Copenhaver
Recording Secretary	Robert Kane
Corresponding Secretary	Linda Yaffee
Treasurer	E. Stuart Tucker
Assistant Treasurer	Cindy Schultz
Directors	Edward Veit
	Sharon Norman

The slate of officers was accepted as submitted. Ed Veit made a motion that the Nomination Committee do their report over and follow the rules. The motion received a second by Edna. The motion failed.

**Program, Edna Harris-Kurre**

April 21, 2015 is the Annual Luncheon Meeting. Plans are being discussed to get members to actively join the association.

**Publication/Update, Donna Copenhaver**

Articles for the next publication are next week.

**Remembrance Committee, Mary Ellen Zimmerman and Mary Lou Brown**

Mary Lou reported sending thirty birthday cards since the last meeting. She read the names of the card returned as undeliverable. Mary Ellen listed the following deceased members; Joan Pickens, Merrill Egger, Bernadette Dew, Richard Bergman, Ralph Daniels, Eileen Bevans, Betty Spanos, Shelia Bonnell, Edna Norris, Helen Diehl, Edward Brunbaugh, Keith Rembold, and a non-member Bernie Kotula.

**Scholarship, Edith Kozlowski, Camille Marx, and Madeline Lovera**

Notices have been distributed to all school departments including future teachers clubs.

**Travel/Social Committee, David and Donna Copenhaver (interim)**

President Copenhaver reported the Cherry Blossom Luncheon Cruise for April 8 has been sold out and reservation money is due today. Members who have not responded will be sent a second notice. A railroad trip to Western Maryland for October is under consideration.

**Representative Reports**

**BCASCO, Weston Dean**

Wes reported on the meeting discussing getting rid of cherished items.

**TABCO, Jack Woodward**

No report

The next President's Seminar is being planned and will be announced at a later date.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

**Breakfast with Colleagues:** Clair reported pictures from the breakfast are posted on Shutterbug. The affair cost approximately \$1,640.00 with seventy-six attending. Three large boxes of toys were collected and the Breast Cancer received around \$400.00 in donations. Forty to fifty door prizes were awarded.

**Tress Memorial Scholarship:** Edna stated the total amount is not complete but \$12,921.54 has been received and about another \$100.00 is expected. The scholarship will be awarded during the 2015-16 year. Dave Peters discussed the paper supplied to the Board regarding investing the fund and keeping a separate accounting. Further discussions on the placement of the accounting will be undertaken at a later date.

**Facebook Manager:** Donna moved to continue using this media as another way to get the association's message out and it should continue. Clair seconded the motion. Following a discussion the motion failed.

**Adopt-a-School:** Donna moved to use money from the bus trips to fund a non-titled school (elementary, middle and high). School areas would be selected on a rotating basis. Dave Peters second the motion. Following a discussion the motion failed.

**Leadership Retreat:** Ed presented a draft of the agenda for holding a leadership retreat and the committee plan of work. Jack moved to have a leadership retreat and Edna seconded the motion. The motion was accepted pending the date, time, and cost.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**Highlighting a Member in the UPDATE:** Donna is accepting names for highlighting members in the Newsletter. Names may be submitted by e-mail and she would like to hold a drawing for a \$25.00 gift certificate. Ed moved to accept giving a gift certificate and Jack second the motion. The motion was passed.

**Next Meeting:** The next meeting of the Executive Board is February 17, 2015 at Saint Isaac Jogues, Room 1.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:25 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Robert L. Kane, Secretary

The following Executive Board members were in attendance:

*Mary Lou Brown*  
*David Copenhaver*  
*Donna Copenhaver*  
*Kathy Dunkle*  
*Weston Dean*  
*Edna Harris-Kurre*

*Robert Kane*  
*Parker Koons*  
*Edith Kozlowski*  
*Madeline Lovera*  
*David Peters*  
*Charlotte Price*

*Clair Price*  
*B.J. Rounsaville*  
*George Sparks, Jr.*  
*Ed Veit*  
*Jack Woodward*  
*Mary Ellen Zimmerman*

