

BCRSPA

ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

April 21, 2015

The annual meeting of the members of the **BCRSPA** was called to order at 10:06 a.m. by President C. David Copenhaver at Columbus Gardens. President Copenhaver welcomed the membership and led all in the "Pledge of Allegiance." The singing of the National Anthem was by recorded music.

President Copenhaver welcomed the members to the annual meeting and introduced the guests; Janet Williams, Area II North Director MRSPA, and Jim Aldon and Tracey Carroll of the Office of BCPS Employees Benefits.

Minutes: President Copenhaver called for the approval of the minutes of the 2014 annual membership meeting which were enclosed with their packet upon entering. There being no corrections or additions to the meeting, the minutes were approved as printed.

Treasurer's Report: Treasurer David Peters addressed the Treasurer's Report as presented to the membership upon arrival. He commented on the Money Manager accounts under Assets and Scholarship was combined into one account at FFFCU. The Treasurer's Report was accepted for audit.

President Copenhaver delivered his annual report which can be found on pages two and three of the Committee Reports Booklet given to each member. He highlighted recruitment, the annual crab feast, two Presidential Seminars, two New York City bus trips, record amounts of donations from last year's annual meeting and fall luncheon, four published newsletters, our webpage and the new Shutterfly, and the Cherry Blossom Cruise.

Request for Additional Delegates to the MRSPA Convention: President Copenhaver request members to volunteer as delegates to the May meeting of MRSPA. There was a need of five more delegates. Members volunteering should contact President Copenhaver.

Introduction of Committee Chairpersons and Committee Reports:

Nominating Committee: Parker Koons, chairperson, reported the slate of officers recommended to the Executive Board found on page ten of the Committee Reports.

President-Elect (2015-2016)	Donna Copenhaver
Secretary (2015-2016)	Robert Kane
Corresponding Secretary (2015-2016)	Linda Yaffe
Treasurer (2015-2016)	E. Stuart Tucker
Assistant Treasurer (2015-2016)	Cindy Schultz
Directors (2015-2016)	Edward Veit
	Sharon Norman

The Nominating Committee report was approved as presented. Chairman Koons reported the members of his committee as request by Edward Veit.

President Copenhaver called for additional nominations from the assembly for President-Elect. There being no additional nominees, the nomination for President-Elect was closed. President Copenhaver called for additional nominations for Secretary. There being no additional nominees, the nomination for Secretary was closed. President Copenhaver called for additional nominees for Corresponding Secretary. There being no additional nominees, the nomination for Corresponding Secretary was closed. President Copenhaver called for additional nominees for Treasurer. There being no additional nominees, the nomination for Treasurer was closed. President Copenhaver called for additional nominations for Assistant Treasurer. There being no additional nominees, the nomination for Assistant Treasurer was closed. President Copenhaver called for additional nominees for the Directors. Edith Kozlowski moved to nominate Edna Harris-Kurre for Director. There being no further nominations for Director, the nominations were closed.

President Copenhaver directed the members' attention to the third page of the agenda where the nominations were printed and he instructed the membership to enter Edna Harris-Kurre's name as a floor nomination for Director. He appointed two members of the Executive Board to collect and count the ballots and report back to the membership.

Community Service: Chairperson Kathy Dunkle report in on page ten of the Committee Reports Booklet.

Budget 2015-2016: Chairperson Jack Woodward moved for the adoption of the budget for 2015-2016 as printed in the Committee Reports Booklet page 5. There being no discussion, the budget was adopted by a show of hands.

Constitution/Bylaws and Parliamentarian: Chairperson George Sparks, Jr. report is on page twelve of the Committee Reports Booklet. He reported his committee in doing a thorough review of the Constitution/Bylaws which will be combined into one document.

Archivist/Historian: Chairperson Caroline Seamon's report may be found on page seven of Committee Reports Booklet.

Consumer Education: Chairperson B.J. Rounsaville's report may be found on page eight of the Committee Reports Booklet.

Membership Accounting: Chairperson Charlotte R. Price's report may be found on page nine of the Committee Reports Booklet.

Membership Recruitment: Chairperson Maryann Hughes' report may be found on page nine of the Committee Reports Booklet.

Social: Chairpersons Donna and C. David Copenhaver's report may be found on page eleven of the Committee Reports Booklet.

Remembrance: Chairpersons Mary Lou Brown and Mary Ellen Zimmerman will present a remembrance service following the business meeting. The committee report may be found in the Committee Reports Booklet on page twelve.

Insurance/Health Care: Chairpersons Donna and C. David Copenhaver's report may be found on page seven of the Committee Reports Booklet.

Scholarship: Chairpersons Camille Marx, Edith Kozlowski, and Madeline Lovera's report may be found on page thirteen. Scholarship Recipients will be recognized at the luncheon. Edith Kozlowski asked for volunteers to help in reviewing and selecting recipients. Carmale Veit moved that BCRSPA Executive Board establish a committee to explore establishing a tax exempt entity for donations to benefit scholarship and other such initiatives and to report back to the membership. The motion was seconded and approved.

Program: Chairperson Edna Harris-Kurre announced that tables were setup in the back of the room for recruiting volunteers to serve on committees. Chairpersons will be available for

questions after the meeting. Her committee report may be found on page fourteen in the Committee Report Booklet.

Legislative: Chairperson Parker Koons reported he is a member of MRSPA's legislative committee who reviewed forty bills this year that affected educators' concerns. This committee report may be found on page eight in the Committee Reports Booklet.

Publications/UPDATE: Donna Copenhaver, Editor's report may be found on page fourteen in the Committee Reports Booklet.

Election Returns: President Copenhaver reported the results of the tellers' ballot count. Fifty-three ballots were cast with thirty-eight votes for Edward Veit and Sharon Norman and nineteen votes for Edna Harris Kurre. President Copenhaver declared Edward Veit and Sharon Norman elected as Directors and called for the installation of the newly elected officers.

Installation of Officers: Janet Williams, Area II North, Director of MRSPA duly installed President-Elect Donna Copenhaver, Secretary Robert Kane, Corresponding Secretary Linda Yaffe, Treasurer E. Stuart Tucker, Assistant Treasurer Cindy Schultz and Directors Edward Veit and Sharon Norman.

NEW BUSINESS

Drawing: President-Elect Donna Copenhaver had the winning name drawn and will notify the winner.

President Copenhaver declared the Annual Membership Meeting adjourned at 11:02 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert L. Kane, Secretary

Mary Ellen Zimmerman and Donna Copenhaver conducted "Moments of Remembrance" for the fifty-seven members who died during the past year from March 1, 2014 to February 28, 2015.

UPDATES:

MRSPA Area II North Director Janet Williams encourage the membership to have a full delegation to the May 12, 2015 State Convention. See also commented on the Shutterfly website.

Jim Aldon, Office of Employee Benefits of BCPS gave an update on health care. Negotiations will soon finish for the start in 2016. Medical Benefits for 65 and older will increase 3% and for under 65 the increase will be 5.7%. Express Scripts renewal in up for bid. This is a contract with the Baltimore County Government and includes Baltimore County Teachers

Representatives from Cigna and Kaiser Permanente were available for questions and inquiries.

The meeting moved to the next room for lunch and the presentation of scholarship awards.