# BCRSPA MINUTES OF EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING March 21, 2017

The meeting of the Executive Board of the **BCRSPA** was called to order at 9: a.m. by President Donna Copenhaver at Eastern Technical High School- Eastern Inn.

Vice-President David Copenhaver introduced the guest, Gene Wlock of the USMC, Toys-for-Tots, who presented the association with a plaque for participating in the 2016 Toys-for-Tots program. An update on Charlotte Price's progress was given and get well cards are requested.

**Review of Minutes:** The minutes of the January 17, 2017 Executive Board meeting were approved as printed.

**Treasurer's Report:** The Treasurer's report of January 2017 was accepted and filed for audit. The February 2017 report was accepted and filed for audit. The Baltimore County Public Schools Education Foundation Account has \$2,410.00 as of this date. These are the donations received from those wishing a tax deduction for contributing to the Scholarship Fund.

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

Birthday wishes to Parker Koons, Charlotte Price, Jack Woodward, Edith Kozlowski, and Mary Lou Brown.

A new MRSPA Membership trifold was included in each Board Members' folder.

MRSPA Community Service Nominee from BCRSPA is Mary Lou Brown.

Thank you notes for school library donations were received from Stemmers Run Middle and Chesapeake Terrace Elementary and passed around for Board Members to read.

Oak Crest Village will give a \$500.00 gift to the Scholarship Fund. Representatives will attend our Spring Luncheon Annual Meeting in April.

Benefits Office will be sending representatives to the Luncheon Meeting in April.

BCRSPA delegates to MRSPA Annual Business Meeting at Turf Valley on May 9, 2017 are needed. A sign-up sheet was passed around for volunteers to sign-up to attend as delegates. Twenty delegates are allowed.

Nomination Committee Report – The following officers were presented:

President Elect Parker Koons
Treasurer E. Stuart Tucker
Director Sharon Norman
Director Della Curtis
Recording Secretary Barbara Barzyk
Corresponding Secretary Linda Yaffe

David Copenhaver moved for the acceptance of the slate of officers. The motion carried.

#### REPRESTATIVE REPORTS

#### **BCASCO – Weston Dean**

Wes reported on retirement insurance concerns that were discussed at the meeting.

## TABCO - Jack Woodward

A new search committee for TABCO Director has been initiated.

A candidate search for the Executive Director of MRSPA has begun since the recently appointed director has resigned. The committee is looking for a part time, possibly retired person to fill the position.

#### STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

#### Archivist/Historian, Caroline Seamon

No report.

## **Bylaws, George Sparks**

George announced the next committee meeting will be at his home on April 25<sup>th</sup>.

## **Community Service, Dave Peters**

No report

## **Consumer Education, BJ Rounsaville**

BJ is collecting articles for the April publication and announced that Verizon is under investigation for their aging telephone system which may account for the difficulty we are having with our answering system.

#### Finance, Jack Woodward

Jack said e-mails were sent for the 2017-2018 budget. David Copenhaver moved to accept the budget and Madeline Lovera second the motion. The motion passed. A suggestion was made to have columns for previous year's actual versus budget amounts for comparisons. Stuart Tucker agreed to help Jack with this type of format.

### Legislation, Parker Koons

Parker reported 2700 bills have been entered by the House and the Senate. MRSPA Legislation Committee reviewed most of these bills to determine the association's position on each one. He discussed certain bills to be aware of and watch the progress. Those bills not accepted this year may reappear in next year's assembly.

# **Membership Accounting, Charlotte Price**

Stuart Tucker stated the mail box has reservations for the luncheon and membership envelopes which he will assume responsibility to check on them in the next few days.

## Membership Recruitment, Maryann Hughes

One hundred packets are nearly complete for delivery to the Benefits Office. Eighteen letters were mailed inviting new members to join us at the April Luncheon.

### Program, David and Donna Copenhaver

Program preparations are being made for the April Luncheon. A search is being conducted for the October Luncheon Meeting program.

## Publication/Update, David Copenhaver

MSCHOF- Correction on the date the applications are due by April 10, 2017.

The Publisher has had to increase the format cost from \$175.00 to \$250.00 due to the increase of time to for doing the layouts. Dave moved to increase the cost of the publication to \$250.00. There is one publication remaining in the current budget. Next year's budget will need

to reflect the additional costs. The motion was seconded by Jack Woodward and approved. Ed Veit suggested placement of articles in the layout to reflect importance for the reader.

#### **Public Relations, Clair Price**

The next breakfast is scheduled on December 7, 2017. Camille Marx has formed a sub-committee to help wrap the gifts. She has two volunteers thus far to help with the gift wrapping.

# Remembrance Committee, Mary Ellen Zimmerman and Mary Lou Brown

Mary Lou Brown mailed twelve birthday cards to members since our last meeting.

Mary Ellen Zimmerman reported two deceased members – Dixie B. Rodgers and Mildred R. Irvin. The Remembrance Service will be held at the Spring Luncheon.

## **Retiree Benefits, Joyce Cummings**

No report.

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

The committee has received twenty-four applications from fifteen of the twenty-five high schools. Four people reviewed the applications. Six scholarships will be awarded – five BCRSPA scholarships and the Matthew Tress Scholarship. Edith identified the career fields of the applicants and commented that no one expressed seeking a career in education. The students winning scholarships are presently being invited to the April Luncheon. Sharon Norman suggested next year mailing additional packets of scholarships information to the current PTA/PSTA presidents.

## Social Committee, David and Donna Copenhaver, and Clair Price

David announced there are still a few seats available or the Cherry Blossom Festival. The bus company used for the association trips has a variety of tour packages and the list is available for anyone wishing to use their services.

## Technology, Bill Groth

No Report

#### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

**Standing Rules Update** – The committee will be meeting next month to finalize the rules. **Answering Machine Concerns** – Edith Kozlowski moved to delay any action on the concerns until September. Sharon Norman seconded the motion and following a discussion the motion carried.

**MRSPA Membership Quota** – MRSPA used our membership numbers, as of March 2016, for a base figure and computed the percentage to obtain the increase number of new members as our quota figure for this year.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

**Partnerships with other retirement communities** – A discussion concerning establishing additional partnerships with Charlestown, Blakehurst, Edenwald and others retirement communities to obtain additional donations for our scholarship fund. Dave Copenhaver concluded the discussion by offering to communicate with Oak Crest first to obtain their input.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:23 a.m.

Respectfully submitted, Robert L. Kane, Secretary

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**Next Meetings:** The next meeting of the Executive Board will be May 16, 2017 at TABCO.

The Annual Luncheon Meeting is April 18, 2017 at Columbus Gardens. MRSPA Delegate Meeting is on May 9, 2017 at Turf Valley.

Be sure to check the BCRSPA answering system weekly.

The following Executive Board members were in attendance:

Mary Lou Brown Edith Kozlowski Caroline Seamon David Copenhaver Madeline Lovera Cindy Schulz Donna Copenhaver Camille Marx George Sparks, Jr Weston Dean Sharon Norman E. Stuart Tucker David Peters Maryann Hughes Ed Veit Robert Kane BJ Rounsaville Jack Woodward Parker Koons Mary Ellen Zimmerman