

HRSPA Board of Directors Meeting

February 20, 2020

Present at the meeting were: Jackie Warren, Becky Goshorn, Lee Reynolds, Janet White, Tina Whitaker, Bonnie Thompson, Pat Rollison, Mary Brownfield, Dianne Hughs Shuler, Shirley Uzel, and Bill Pike

President Jackie Warren called the meeting to order at 10:00 am. Minutes of last meeting were approved via email.

Bill Pike updated the church facility's renovations which may result in us having to move into other spaces. The mailing committee will meet in the conference room on April 7.

Becky Goshorn gave a Treasurer's report. HRSPA currently has \$10,987.69 in its general budget and \$1,819.93 in the Scholarship fund. Becky reported that \$4,000 needed to be transferred into the Scholarship fund to issue this year's scholarships. The motion was made, seconded, and voted on by the BOD. There was also a motion, a second, and approval to donate \$100 to Trinity Methodist Church for the use of their meeting space.

A discussion of improving and/or adding to our website and email blasts to encourage more participation in HRSPA, improve membership, encourage more donations to our scholarship fund, and HRSPA's participation in community service projects. A Facebook ad to invite other members of the community to donate to the HRSPA scholarship fund in memory or in honor of a teacher who has made a difference in their lives during Teacher Appreciation Week/Month. Debbie Williams and Debbie Firebaugh will be contacted to see if they can help in these efforts.

The BOD also approved a motion to contact Andy Jenks to get information on 5-6 schools who do not have active PTA's and/or community support who may need HRSPA's help in recognizing teachers in these schools during Teacher Appreciation Week.

Jackie reported that Susan Howe is actively preparing packets for Henrico County's new retirees and will find the date for the HCPS new retiree luncheon.

Tina Whitaker (or Saint Tina as we call her) visited all school board members and supervisors as well as all the Representatives and Senators in the GA. Tina, Jackie and Susan attended the VRTA day at the General Assembly on January 30.

Jackie also spoke at the GA budget committee in support of the \$4.00 insurance credit for support personnel and it passed in committee. HB1513 is now in the GA for approval.

Lee Reynolds made a request that each committee send their articles for the newsletter no later than March 27 but as soon as possible is even better.

Bill Pike, Nominating Chair, presented the Slate of Officers for 2020-2022: Jackie Warren, President; Tina Whitaker, Vice President; Betsy Pike, Secretary; and Bonnie Thompson, Treasurer. The Slate will be voted on at the next luncheon.

Mary Brownfield, Philanthropy Chair, reported that the SS Challenge will be the philanthropy project for the April luncheon.

Pat Rollison, Scholarship Chair, stated that scholarship information was sent to the appropriate HCPS personnel to be disseminated to prospective students and teachers. Applications are due by March 17.

Becky Goshorn, along with Susan and Jackie, will be attending the VRTA spring conference April 27-29.

Jackie sent an email to the secondary education department regarding the Book Award and should be receiving request form each high school.

The meeting adjourned at 12:00 pm.

Submitted by Lee Reynolds (for Secretary Betsy Pike)