12/04/14 KCRSPA General Meeting Minutes

The meeting was called to order by President Nancy Harrington at 11:50 at CRCC&Y Club in Chestertown, MD.

President Nancy Harrington welcomed our new members who were attending, Brenda Shorter, Carol Coleman, Lee Loller, and Doris Lill. She also welcomed guests, Sandy Green, Mr. Freeman, John Foreman and MRSPA area director Dorothy Palmer. We said the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag and began to alternate parts of the general meeting with a delicious lunch and the Chinese auction. Thirty-two people attended the meeting.

Business Meeting:

President Nancy Harrington reminded us that the Maryland MRSPA Annual Meeting will be held on May 12, 2015 at Turf Valley, MD. The KCRSPA is going to put a display board together to highlight our achievements and activities. We are doing this to celebrate the 50th anniversary of the founding of KCRSPA.

Miriam Chronshaw and Peggy Smith, Nominating Committee Co-Chairs, will nominate our officers for next year. Barbara Wheeler will be our next president. We need a nominee for vice-president. Jean Foreman will continue to be the treasurer and Terri Bostic will continue to be the recording secretary.

Margie Baker, By-Laws Chair presided over the vote to approve the new By-Laws which were distributed at our October general meeting and amended at our November executive committee meeting.

President Nancy Harrington announced that our members will be volunteering to read to KCPS students on Dr. Seuss Day, March 2, 2015. Members may sign up to volunteer. There will be a meeting before march to decide what books we will read.

Billie Lynne Roberts, Community Service Chair reminded us to write down volunteer hours on the back of our lunch reservation papers.

Billie Lynne also reminded us that we may volunteer at the KC Community Center to pack up boxes of holiday food for Kent County Families. Volunteers may also help by delivering the food boxes.

Fay Miller and Winnie Walters, Membership and Pre-retirement Co-Chairs reported that we have enrolled six new members since last March and four of those are attending today's meeting. Fay reminded us that our pension is secure and that we need to support future retirees by supporting legislation that will protect their pensions.

President Nancy Harrington thanked Bonnie Smith, Emily Massey and Kathy Clark for the excellent job they did in arranging for today's lunch, meeting, and activities.

MRSPA area director, Dorothy Palmer, spoke and expressed how much she enjoys coming to Kent County. She hopes that someone from our county will fill her job.

President Nancy Harrington wished a Happy Birthday to Ray Clarke, Eileen Hahn, Bonnie Smith and Charlotte Potts.

Trish McGee and Wendy Costa, new Kent County School Board members will be invited to our next meeting in March.

The Chinese Auction raised \$156 for the Scholarship Fund.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Terri Bostic