

Knox County Retired Teachers Association
General Meeting Minutes
September 28, 2017

The Knox County Retired Teachers Association was called to order at 11:17 a.m. at the Foundry with President Jeanette Casteel presiding. An opening prayer and Pledge to the Flag were led by Don Loy.

President Jeanette Casteel challenged members to bring another retired teacher to our Scholarship Luncheon in November and welcomed members and guests, Bob Thomas, Knox County's Superintendent of Schools, Patti Bounds, Knox County School Board Chairman,, Tanya Coates, KCEA President, Jason White, TEA Uniserve Representative, and Lance McCold from the League of Women Voters, who invited members to see their film about school privatization "Backpack Full of Cash." First-time attendee, Janie Norman, who taught at Halls, Rule, and South Doyle, was welcomed as our special retiree guest as well.

Minutes of the July 27, 2017, General Meeting were submitted, and with Dan Williams' motion, seconded by Ann Loy, the minutes were approved. David Huntsinger's treasurer's report was filed for audit with a balance of \$44,105.91.

President Casteel reminded members to sign up for opportunities for involvement with KCRTA on the sheets on each table and added that the Nominations Committee, chaired by Pam Chipley, will be calling and sending out emails to find new officers and committee chairs for the coming year. Lexa Hooten called the attention of members to the gold and silver donation baskets on each table for contributions to our Scholarship Foundation. Members were advised that at the Hostess Table were KCRTA Directories (sign up to take one) and also the annual Community Participation Surveys for all members to complete and leave on their tables for Chairperson Charlotte Linge.

Following the luncheon, Program Chairperson Don Loy introduced the guest speaker, Bob Thomas, Superintendent of Knox County Schools, who spoke to the group on this year's programs and objectives.

President Casteel thanked our speaker, special guests, new retirees, and members, especially Bill Crosland, who has been out for illness, for their presence and invited them to be with us for the Scholarship Foundation Awards Luncheon in November.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:42 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Glenda Childress
Recording Secretary