

**Minutes of the
Jefferson County Retired Teachers Association
Board of Directors Meeting
July 14, 2020**

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 10:00 a.m. via a virtual meeting. Ken Draut introduced the format of the meeting and served as moderator. Board members were welcomed by President Dale Warren. The invocation, given by Sahara Myers, was followed by the pledge.

Board Members Present: Dale Warren, Sahara Myers, Melanie Wood, Pam Gooch, Marilyn Puckett, Ken Draut, Ann Hafling, Tara Parker, Lue Peabody, Mary Perry, Marilyn Hazard, Rick Tatum, Bonnie Wantland

Board Members Absent: Sheila Carson-Smith, Susan Thurman, Donna Seaford, Michael Jones

Recording Secretary: Marilyn Puckett presented the minutes of the previous meeting of April 7, 2020, and thanked Susan Thurman for recording those minutes. Rick Tatum moved to accept the minutes as printed and a second was made by Lue Peabody. The motion passed.

Treasurer: Mary Perry presented the financial report for April -June 2020. She reported that there was a good response to having a separate mailing for membership. She reported that everything is ready for the annual audit. Ann Hafling gave a reminder that \$400 for N.O. Kimbler is to go to KRTA each year. The treasurer's report was approved as printed and will be filed for audit.

1st Vice President- Sahara Myers reported that folk artist and author Steve Flaherty will be rescheduled for the December 5, 2020 General Meeting at no charge. He requests permission to set up a table to offer his books for sale.

2nd Vice President- Pam Gooch reported that she is excited about her new role on the board.

Corresponding Secretary- No report.

KRTA Representative- Rick Tatum requested that Debbie Dunn be informed about the mailing of the next newsletter. Marilyn Hazard will give needed information to Debbie regarding members who did not rejoin from last year. The current new retiree list will come from Barbara Jacobs. Ann Hafling asked what information to send to the new retirees since there will not be an invitation to a general meeting in the newsletter. Suggestions included using information from previous newsletters. Melanie Wood suggested that Debbie and the former corresponding secretary, Linda Ratti, get together to work things out.

Committee Chairperson Reports:

Audit and Budgeting- Ann Hafling reviewed various items pertaining to the budget. She reported the \$300 was allowed for board meeting lunches. She asked if more than \$800 is needed in the budget for guest speakers. She noted that the printing of the bulletin for the Necrology program should come from the money budgeted for Necrology. Ken Draut reported that the technology fee for this year was paid early. The payment for next year will be delayed so that the budget won't show a double payment. Ann reported that a committee will get together to work on the budget. Bonnie Wantland asked if Trips and Tours will be audited at the same time. Trips and Tours will be audited separately.

Community Liaison- The position is currently vacant. Ken Draut reported that the Mayor's Week of Service was cancelled. There are a couple of new volunteer opportunities which will be posted in the newsletter.

Insurance- Lue Peabody reported that there will be a meeting in July. The KRTA fall workshop, coordinated by Dale Warren and Dr. Tim Abrams, will have information on the statewide virtual meeting in August.

JCRTA Membership- Marilyn Hazard welcomed Michael Jones as co-chair of JCRTA Membership. Marilyn reported that as of July 14, 2020, total membership received was 1,445. She noted that 46 members have overpaid. The policy is that a member pays \$10 per year toward membership and if more is paid it is considered a donation. One member paid \$100, but specified that \$10 be for membership and \$90 be used toward scholarships for new retirees. The scholarships will be presented at one or more general meeting luncheons in the future. She reported that membership volunteers total 30 as of July 14, 2020. Marilyn would like to recognize the volunteers in some way at a future general meeting.

KRTA Membership- No report.

Legislative- No report.

Necrology-No report.

Nominating-Melanie Wood reported that all board positions are filled and that she is working with Dale to fill the committee positions which are still open.

Remembrance-Tara Parker briefly discussed the roles of Remembrance and Necrology. She will consult with the previous remembrance chairperson, Laura Marquess.

Scholarship-No report.

Technology-Ken Draut discussed the website, jcrta.org. He encouraged frequent use of the website and to click on every page to find information about meetings, old minutes and newsletters. Also, check out the Facebook page which currently has 110 members. He noted that email blasts can be sent to all the membership once a month at no cost.

Trips and Tours- Ruth Boone reported that all trips for 2020 have been cancelled. The Charlestown trip will be rescheduled for the same time of year in 2021. The Danube to the Black Sea trip will be rescheduled for 2021, also.

Trips and Tours Treasurer-Bonnie Wantland reported that there are no outstanding bills. All refunds for cancelled trips have been sent out.

KRTA/AARP- No report.

Old Business-

Marilyn Puckett reported that 194 responses were received for the election of officers for 2020-21. Those elected were: 2nd Vice President-Pam Gooch; Recording Secretary-Marilyn Puckett; Corresponding Secretary-Debbie Dunn; KRTA Representative- Rick Tatum

New Business-

Newsletter articles should be sent to Pennant by July 21.

Various ideas were discussed regarding a Back to School supply drive. Sahara Myers will give updates as plans are finalized.

The August 28,2020 KRTA Workshop will be virtual.

The next board meeting will be on October 13, 2020. It is yet to be determined if the meeting will be in-person or virtual.

Outgoing board members Laura Marquess and Linda Ratti were recognized and thanked for their dedicated service to the JCRTA.

At the close of business, a motion was made and passed to adjourn. President Dale Warren adjourned the meeting at 11:40 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Marilyn Puckett, Recording Secretary