

NFCRTA
Executive Board Meeting
Thursday, May 9, 2018

The Executive Board meeting of the NFCRTA was held at Castello's at 12:30 PM on Thursday, May 9, 2019.

Present:

President: Rona Rothhouse
Vice President: Sharon Cook
Treasurer: Libby Kasimer
Secretary: Cathy Baker
Legislative Chairperson: Bill Murray
Membership Chairperson: June Jones
Webmaster and Community Concerns Chairperson: Joretta Kilcourse
Newsletter Chairperson: Rose Paonessa

Absent:

Scholarship Chairperson: Kay Santuro

The meeting was called to order at 12:30 by President Rothhouse.

Announcements:

- NFCRTA's Spring Luncheon will be held at Anthony's Lake Club on Tuesday, May 21, 2019 at 11:30 AM.
- Libby Kasimer reported that mailings had gone out and to date there are 48 people coming which is a smaller turn out than last year.
- Joretta Kilcourse stated that information regarding the luncheon is available on the website and she would sent out another e-blast regarding the luncheon.
- June Jones said that she was planning on sending out a letter to those with lapsed membership to encourage them to become NFCRTA members again. In response, Rona Rothhouse said that she would send out a letter to teachers who have moved out of state to encourage them to continue their participation in ARTC. In addition to providing support for the Association they will better be able to monitor the status of their pensions.
- This year the Mary Edgett Scholarship for \$1500 and Memorial Scholarship for \$1000 will be awarded to two students from Danbury School District.
- Rona Rothhouse said that Bob Becker confirmed that he will be the guest speaker at the NFCRTA Spring Luncheon. Bob is an award winning writer, director and producer of Fortune companies and non-profits.

Rona explained that at the ARTC Board of Directors meeting a couple of key announcements were made:

- Governor Lamont has proposed developing a Capital Reserve Fund to fulfill state obligations. The fund would use a budget surplus of \$381 million and in the future funds from the lottery could be added.
- Rick Follman, Chairman of the Health Insurance, stated that approximately 23,300 retired teachers and spouses are enrolled in the Medicare Advantage Plan and 6,700 are in the Medicare Supplement Plan. He noted that he had received very few complaints about the plan. Rick explained that, according to data, from insurance providers, medical costs sharply increase at about age 76.
- Future dates for ARTC luncheons are: Oct 22, 2019, May 19, 2020, and Oct 20, 2020.

Bill Murray reported that both CEA and ARTC supports Governor Lamont and State Treasurer Woodin's proposal to reamortize the pension fund.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:10 PM

Respectfully submitted,
Cathy Baker
Recording Secretary