Cobb-Marietta Retired Educators

August 9, 2018

President Patty Wheeler called the meeting to order at 11:34 AM at the First united Methodist Church in Marietta. She welcomed everyone and introduced the Head Table – Kitty Smith, Joan Harrell and Grant Rivera (the guest speaker). She noted the State Theme – "Share the Light" and the C-MREA Theme "C-MREA Shines Bright." She mentioned that the State Community Service Project was Children's Health Care of Atlanta (CHOA). Baskets were on each table for donations (\$126 collected).

Patty led the Pledge and Kitty Smith did the Inspiration. Judy Munson circulated Joe's Brag Jar. Patty recognized guests, new members and May to August birthdays. Lunch was served.

Joan Harrell introduced Dr. Grant Rivera, Superintendent of Marietta City Schools. The April 12, 2018 Minutes were approved. Treasurer Beverly Shumake presented the Budget for 2018-2019 and gave her report –

General Account \$2,057.73

Money Market \$21,419.93

Wright Fund \$30,205.82

McClure Fund \$164,691.13

This report will be filed for audit. The Audit Committee pronounced the 2017-2018 Books in good order.

Judy Munson encouraged membership in both C-MREA (\$20) and GREA (\$24/\$27). She explained the benefits of AMBA to GREA members.

The November 1st meeting (note change of date) will be our Auction. Liz Bouis and Judy are accepting donations. Last year this event made \$800 for scholarships. The electronic Directory will save us money. Members can request printed copies for \$3. Lester Dean mentioned that we do have a lobbyist who is a retired teacher. There's not much going on now about school legislation.

Patty reminded everyone to complete the Hours for others forms, to decorate MUST lunch bags and to make lunch reservations. She emphasized that Susan who facilitates our lunches is willing to work with personal allergies (which Susan explained earlier). Patty invited everyone to attend the Area 15/16 Meeting.

Patty announced that she had information if anyone wanted a position as a GED instructor. The GREA Museum is looking for a motion picture projector. Former President Beth Farohki sadly passed away this summer. The Directory is being dedicated to her. Member Phil Herron fell and is in rehab. She thanked everyone for the School Supplies donations (our Community Service Project for August) and the CHOA donations. She suggested that we purchase books each month and make donations to the Scholarship Fund.

The meeting adjourned after Door Prizes were distributed at 1:26 PM.