

C-MREA Board Meeting

May 24, 2018

The following Board members met at New Beginnings Methodist Church – Liz Bouis, Charlotte Carroll, Susan Crooks, Lester Dean, Deana Hansard, Joan Harrell, Connie Kone, Linda McPherson, Judy Munson, Debby Overstreet, Lynn Pintavalle, Kitty Smith, Nancy Smith, Patty Wheeler, and Carolyn Wilson. President Patty called the meeting to order at 9:33 AM and welcomed everyone. She described her background and everyone else introduced his/her self.

State GREA President Mickey Wendel's Theme is "Share the Light – Support, Service, Fellowship." Convention awards were displayed by Past President Kitty Smith. Kitty did a brief recap of the State Convention where she read a poem by Lester Dean. We won every possible award. There were some problems in Macon.

The Agenda, Budget, Program Work Sheet and Committees List were distributed. The meetings – except for November – were listed as August 9, September 13, October 11, December 13, January 10, February 14, March 14 and April 11. November's meeting will be on the 1st or 15th. Connie and Patty will meet with the church to verify the dates and meeting rooms.

There was no Unfinished Business. New Business included some changes in email addresses and phone numbers. Some Committee positions will also change. The State GREA calculations of Hours for Others has been simplified.

It was noted that the Whitfield Scholarship Fund is dwindling as it was meant to do. We tabled the discussion on this and will address it again in July. A motion was made to transfer money from the Money Market Account to Checking to cover expenses. We will also ask for "Operational Expenses" at one of our meetings. Ken Dixon, Lester Dean and Ken Smith will audit the Treasury.

We will continue with Constant Contact. Patty will be given access. Committee Chairs are responsible for the Inspiration, Decorations, and 10 Door Prizes. The President will continue to do the Pledge. Teachers of the Year will not be asked to speak at the December meeting. We may not have a head table.

A variety of charities were mentioned as Community Services, including the State's choice, Children's Healthcare of Atlanta. Suggestions for the Program Dedication are to be given to Patty after a list of previous dedications is distributed. We discussed the alternatives for Spotlight Ads.

Lester Dean mentioned that this is Joe Boland's last year as Area Director. He suggested that we promote the election of Liz Bouis to that position.

There was a brief discussion of C-MREA's theme. "C-MREA Shines Bright" was one of the suggestions. The meeting adjourned at 12:30 PM. The next meeting is July 19th – same time and place. The Area Meeting is on August 29th in Ringgold.