Cobb-Marietta Retired Educators Board Meeting January 12, 2023 @ New Beginning Methodist Church

President Carolyn Waters called the meeting to order at 10:09 AM at New Beginnings Methodist Church.

A quorum of 10 needed for voting.

Those present included Susan Crooks, Liz Bouis, Ida Dixon, Joan Harrell, Diane Hart, Sue Hawkins, Linda Morrell, Debby Overstreet, Janet Robison, Kitty Smith, Carolyn Wilson, and Carolyn Waters.

Old Business:

- By-laws passed and approved as amended. Please add Kitty Smith to July minutes.
- Feb: Keynote Dr. Sloan, Johnny. State of Year for GREA. Decorations: Ida Dixon, Diane Hart, Janet Robison.
- March: Master Gardener, Lisa Bartlet. Decorations: Kitty Smith/Sue Hawkins
- April: installation of new officers; President, Secretary. Memorial service, board reception; Debby Overstreet/Lynn Pintavalle decorations, board brings cookies.
- Gift cards for eligible schools

New Business:

- May 2-4, 2023: convention @ Mariott Convention Center
- Discussed moving meetings away from FUMA facility. Board members researching alternatives.
- Thirty people with no emails, 7 will continue receiving the newsletter all others will be moved to inactive list. Research on inactive members needed. Constant contact will help evaluate active memberships.
- Debit card needed to pay bills and purchase lunches, Liz will investigate. Motion approved.
- Bill Johnson pays for web fees, need to transfer to CMREA acct for payment. He may wish to donate the amt.
- Transfer dues into checking account to pay bills and lunches.
- Money Market includes P. Whitfield scholarship funds; we need to separate the two.
- Scholarship fund needs to be explained to the membership for clarity. Perhaps in August start with a history and budget explanation.
- Vote: move 10K of lifetime dues to savings account. Voted on and approved.
- What to do with extra lunches? Sell the unclaimed lunches or charge those who did not show for the lunch.
- Nomination committee: President and Secretary
- Checking on reduction cost of constant contact
- Carolyn Waters needs pictures for GREA report.

Budget:

Presented and prepared by Elizabeth Bouis. Current funds:

\$5409.37
\$22,980.83
\$ 20,795.46
\$149,173.31

Membership: We have met our goal

Meeting adjourned by Carolyn Waters @ 11:41am