

COBB-MARIETTA RETIRED EDUCATORS ASSOCIATION

September 9, 2021

President Ida Dixon called the meeting to order at 11:04 AM. Vicki Steenhoek did the Pledge and Carolyn Waters did the Inspiration. Ida asked everyone to sign up for Apple (and other goodies) Baskets for current educators during Retired Educators Day in November. Thank You Posters were available near the sign-up sheets.

Ida announced that Beth Foster, Osborne High School teacher and daughter of member DJ Culver, is the Cobb County Schools Teacher of the Year. Beth was awarded scholarships twice from C-MREA. Susan Crook requested that we get the word out about our scholarship applications. She suggested that we support all the fund raisers (Auction, Book Sales) that provide the scholarships.

Credit Union of Georgia representative spoke briefly about their services. They provided the Door Prizes.

During the Business Meeting the August Minutes were approved as printed and provided on the tables and on the website. Beverly Shumake provided the Financial Report –

General Fund	\$3,268.22
Money Market	\$21,997.51
Wright Fund	\$24,720.43
McClure Fund	\$156,416.80

The By Laws change allowing the President and President-Elect to remain in office a second year under extenuating circumstances was approved. One new member was recognized. September birthdays were noted.

The Director of Sweetwater Mission Pat Soden and her staff spoke about their various programs. They described the Frank Croker Transformational Center in great detail. This is named after one of our members. The center will provide non-traditional education for low income residents. Our group donated \$755.

Judy Munson promoted membership in GREA (\$27) and C-MREA (\$30). We currently have 65 new GREA members but we need 94 by April. Deborah Paul reminded us to bring Dollars for Scholars books to sell at each meeting. Puzzles have been added to this project. Members are joining our committees but more are still needed.

Joe Boland did Joe's Brag Jar. The School Daze Trivia answers were announced and prizes were distributed. Book Club information was included in the program. Liz Bouis requested Auction items. The meeting was adjourned at 12:22 PM.