

Cobb-Marietta Retired Educators

September 13, 2018

President Patty Wheeler called the meeting to order at 11:35 AM at Marietta First United Methodist Church. She thanked Lynn Pintavalle for the Program and the Garrett Gang for the decorations. Sharon Herndon did the Inspiration. Kitty Smith replaced Joe's Brag Jar with one reflecting the yearly Lighthouse Theme (Share the Light, C-MREA Shines Bright). Joe Boland began the Brag Jar by mentioning that he was donating money to our scholarship fund in memory of Marsha Elliott.

Patty recognized new members, visitors and September birthdays. Lester Dean described the threat of Medicare Advantage to raise the premiums – which will not occur. Brian Boham explained the purpose of the Teacher Supply Store Open House on Saturday, September 15. Then lunch was served.

Lynn introduced Ann Oakley, the guest speaker who is the Director of Atlanta Dream Center, The Metro Kids Ministry. She described the program in Fulton County and parts of DeKalb. We collected \$375 for that project.

During the Business Meeting, the August Minutes were approved. Beverly Shumake gave the Treasurer's Report which was filed for audit.

General Fund	\$3,245.99
Money Market	\$22,013.97
Wright Fund	\$30,221.22
McClure Fund	\$164,803.03

Judy Munson stated that we have 44 new GREA Members but our goal is 117. The Directory will be emailed in October. Printed copies are available for a fee. Patty reminded us that November 4th is Georgia Retired Educators Day. Please sign up to present a basket of fruit/candy to a particular school. Liz called attention to the Girls Night Out flyers on each table. She continues to accept donations for the Auction on November 1st. Patty mentioned that we have 429 decorated bags for MUST. Our goal is 5,000. This is the last chance to purchase GREA T-shirts (\$15). Patty requested that we RSVP for the luncheons each month on the Sunday before our meetings. Debby Overstreet explained the problem of Spot Light Ad forms.

President-Elect Sue Hawkins answered the Nursery Rhyme Trivia and presented prizes. Door Prizes were also distributed.

Scholarship Chair Susan Crooks requested that we contact possible scholarship candidates to remind them of the deadline (October 31st). Patty announced that Mickey Wendell will be our October guest speaker and the Community Service Project will be donations for Children's Healthcare of Atlanta. The meeting was adjourned at 1:36 PM.