

Henrico Retired School Personnel Association Minutes
June 22, 2006

After the social time, President Dianne Hughs Shuler called the meeting to order at 11:45 a.m. She welcomed all “first timers”, new members present and all guests.

The minutes from the March Meeting and the Treasurer’s Report were on each table. Everyone was asked to peruse for approval. Also on each table were: a list of supplies needed at Hilliard House; a “Working with Youth” form to report hours worked with our youth; an end of year evaluation on the facilities used for the luncheons; and a sign-up sheet for volunteers. Dianne also advised that we had received several “thank you” notes from the schools involved in the S.S. Challenge Program. They were displayed on the table in the back for perusal.

Thomas Folly led the Pledge of Allegiance and gave the Invocation. All were reminded to wait until their table was called to go into the buffet luncheon.

Some business was attended before the program: All were asked to please remember to pick up your nametag – this is how attendance is taken for the luncheon.

Linda McCullough, Remembrance Chair, asked that members contact her with any information about sickness, deaths, etc., even about colleagues who are still working. She will send a card.

Dr. Joe Sellers had bypass surgery recently, but is at home recovering and doing well. The HRSPA Board sent flowers.

A note was read from a retiree who has moved out of town, but has continued her membership.

Our March speaker, Charlie Todd, VRTA lobbyist and one of our own, sent a thank you note that was read. He also returned the honorarium given to him and asked that it be used by HRSPA.

AARP booklets and brochures were available for members. Members were reminded that if they are members of AARP they will automatically become members of NRTA if the membership card is filled out and returned. All were urged to do this.

Minutes from the last luncheon meeting were on each table. It was asked if there were any comments or corrections. Being none, the minutes were accepted by acclamation.

The Treasurer’s Report was on each table. Becky Goshorn, Treasurer, advised that the membership drive is in full swing. As of this date, we have 124 renewals and 17 new members. A motion was made, seconded and approved to accept the report as presented

Shirley Uzel, Contact Chair, thanked all of the contacts for their work in the program last year. She also asked that anyone interested in helping, please contact her.

HRSPA was represented at the New Retirees Luncheon for the second year. Packets were handed out to each new retiree.

Dianne thanked all for electing her for another term as President. She also thanked the officers and committee chairs for their hard work and help to her as president. She advised that Rose Tanner will remain as Vice President and that we still need a secretary for this term. She asked that anyone interested to please let her know.

Publicity Chair, Georgie Keene, is stepping down and we need someone to fill this position. Anyone interested please contact Dianne.

Mary Fehl Brownfield, Scholarship Committee Chair, introduced our scholarship winner for 2006, Christine Burton. She was accompanied by her sister, Mary Burton. Christine thanked HRSPA members for the scholarship and our support. She will attend Hampton University and plans on becoming a math teacher. Mary asked that anyone interested in serving on the Scholarship Committee to please contact her.

Nelson Taylor, Legislative Chair, reported that our Health Credit request did not make it through the Senate Finance Committee this year. Our credit will remain at \$75.00. However, the cap for other state employees was lifted from 30 years to time of service. We did keep our Defined Benefits for the time being. There is a bill up for approval that will channel public school money into private schools for any child with an IEP. We are urged to let our congressmen and representatives know that we are against this bill.

Nancy Harris reported that VRTA has raised its membership fees – Life Membership is now \$200.00 and yearly membership is \$15.00. Thomas Folly, a HRSPA member, is the Chaplain for VRTA. VRTA did not change their name to reflect all school employees. They felt it would hurt our position in the legislature. All school employees are still welcome to join.

Dianne thanked all who helped at the “New Retirees Luncheon”; Lee Reynolds, Myrna Cartledge, Rose Tanner, Becky Goshorn and Ellis Sasser. Becky Goshorn gave the Invocation at the luncheon and was able to get in a “plug” for HRSPA.

Committee Reports were in the program and all were asked to refer to them.

Bruce Adie, Insurance Agent for Central Atlantic Insurance Agency advised that rates have been raised. He was available to talk after the meeting.

Bev Beazley has a trip schedule for July 23-30, 2007 to Alaska. She had brochures for the membership.

Linda **Andrews** has a trip scheduled for September 20 to Charlottesville. Fliers were available.

After the business portion of our meeting, we were regaled with a program by the “Now and Then Senior Ladies Ensemble”.

All were asked to note dates in the program for future luncheons and meetings. Also, please leave your name tags after the meeting.

The Door Prize on each table was given. The 50-50 Raffle winner was Myrna Cartledge. She won \$75 and returned a portion of her winnings to the HRSPA Scholarship Program.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:05 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Rose Tanner
Vice President