

WHITE COUNTY RETIRED TEACHERS ASSOCIATION

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Minutes from June 22, 2011 @ Tippecanoe Country Club

The White County Retired Teachers Association met at the Tippecanoe Country Club in Monticello. President Dave Kelly opened the meeting at 11:30 AM with the Pledge of Allegiance. Several guests were introduced including James Lund, our new Area 3 Director, replacing Elaine Brown; Lauren Crabb, currently a student at Purdue; Dorene Shackell, a retired teacher from New Zealand and friend of Bill and Lola Hinshaw; and program speaker, Andy Esser.

OFFICER REPORTS

President Kelly attended the July 13th Leaders Workshop in Indianapolis along with Colleen Shook and Tom and Jennie Peters who attended the State Committees in the afternoon.

Minutes from the April 27th, 2011 meeting were handed out. Karen Ward made a motion to accept the minutes and Carol Adams seconded.

Leona Gorden read the Treasurer's report and a copy was filed for audit. A total of \$26 dollars was collected from our April meeting for the Reading Junction Project. Char Lucas made a motion to accept the Treasurer's report and Marie Crutchfield seconded. The Reading Junction basket was passed around for donations. Envelopes were also at our tables for collection of dues (\$5 for retired teachers and \$3 for associate members such as spouses, former teacher aides, etc., for the 2011-2012 year.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Community Service: Keep track of your volunteer hours. These are tallied in December and our total hours for youth and adult are given to the state. The form can be found on our website. It is important to keep a record. If you have any questions, contact Spencer Bower at sbower13@tds.net.

Legislative: President Kelly said that we should receive a 13th check in August or September.

Membership: Sandy Taylor reported recent retirees from our four corporations.

Tri County: Bev Webb, Karen Lambert, Lynne White, Deanna Dilling

North White: David Henson

Frontier: Jackie Lehe

Twin Lakes: Jerry Whybrew

Necrology: Karen Ward reported that she sent a card to Marita Muller who lost her husband Rich. Jan Fouts died on June 1st, 2011. She taught at Chalmers and Avon. Dema Gump died at the age of 91 in Florida. Her daughter is Earla Jane Phillips. She taught elementary at Reynolds.

Publicity/Public Relations: Glen Wentland reported that our minutes, treasurer's reports, and obituaries can be found on our website.

The White County Retired Teachers Association web site has been recognized by the IRTA as the 2011 "Outstanding Web Site" at the May 18th, 2011 Representative Assembly in Indianapolis. Web master is Glen Wentland. The web site was the only Area 3 web site to receive this honor and one of only 11 throughout the state to be honored. Congratulations, Glen!

LUNCH: Members ordered from the menu and the blessing was given by Frank Walker.

PROGRAM: Speaker Andy Esser is the District Manager of Waste Management and is General Manager of Liberty Landfill in Buffalo. He is a graduate of Ball State in Environmental Science. There are 300 Waste Management landfills in the US. Six are in Indiana. Their host fee due to the county and township is 1 million annually. In the 1980's methane gas was captured and the landfill is now running two gas megawatt plants to produce electricity and sell to utilities. The gas drill rigs go down about 10 feet to suck gas out. One hundred gas wells are presently in place and buried. The landfill produces electricity, heating fuel and natural gas.

A special thanks to our hostesses Marie Crutchfield and Joy Bailey for the patriotic decorations, delicious cupcakes and mints.

Meeting: Officers will meet on July 21st at JoAnn Miller's home to work on next year's program.

Respectively submitted,
JoAnn Miller, Secretary