

WEOA-R Minutes

May 17, 2023

Call to Order- 11:16

Welcome: Lori Moodie (In Chairperson, Doris Moore's absence)

Those Present were: Jo Fehl, Lori Moodie, Jane Rahn, Valerie Roldan, Willie Terrell, Dawn Wojcik

Reading of the Minutes- Lori Moodie

Financial Report- No Report- absent

Secretary Report- Lori Moodie- No Report

Committee Reports- Membership- Jane Rahn and Emmy Brudzynski- No Report

Sunshine- Debbie Owens- No Report- Absent

Legislative- Dawn Wojcik- No Report

NAACP- Willie Terrell- No Report

Advisory Council- Joni Watson- No Report- Absent

WEOA Committee Reports- Collective Bargaining- Jane Rahn- No Report because the Collective Bargaining Committee has not met this year. The leader of the committee is now Nola Brooks.

Organizing Strategy- Phil Long- No Report

DLAMC- Doris Moore- No Report

WEOA Uniserve Council Meetings- Far West- Sandy Dobberstein- No Report- Absent

Grand Lake- Phil Long- No Report- Absent

Greene County- Karen Shires- No Report- Absent

Happy Trails- Doris Moore- No Report- Absent

Miami Valley B- Joni Watson- No Report- Absent

Miami Valley A- Joni Watson- No Report- Absent

2 Far West- Joni Watson- No Report- Absent

Grand Old River- Joni Watson- No Report- Absent

New Business:

Speaker: Tracy Baker, Dayton United Communicators (Toastmasters)

Tracy was a dynamic speaker and invited all of us to join the Toastmasters. Tracy had us all laughing. Even though we are retired, many of us retirees volunteer, work other jobs, or even rely on effective communication skills with our family and friends. Therefore, the Toastmasters Club might be something that could be something you would like to look into.

Announcements- Next Meeting- The June 21, 2023, meeting is in conflict with the OEA Leadership Academy. So, we agreed to change it to:

Thursday, June 15, 2023, at 11:00

WOEA office 308 James Bohanan Dr. Vandalia, Ohio 45377

-Bring your own lunch/drink if you desire.

Discussion about future meeting planning: We discussed thoughts for what types of locations we would like to use for future meetings/events; future officers, and the responsibilities, as stated in the WOEA-R organization information. After going for approximately 3 years of the Covid pandemic, having lockdowns, lots of cancelled meetings, some virtual meetings, some people being willing to attend in-person meetings and some who still don't feel comfortable attending- some with masks, some not at all, some who just got out of the habit of attending, etc., this has affected organizations across the state. Many, if not most, organizations across the state are finding themselves at a crossroads, where they must rebuild again. Things have changed. So, organizations must look at what they have experienced and learned from all of this and then plan what the future in the organizations are going to look like. We decided to further formulate our future plan at the June, 15, 2023 planning meeting.

Condolences to the following OEA members that we have been informed of: From Jan. 5- Feb. 1, 2023: Suzanne Andes, Pat Harner, James Marcan, Olin Matthews, James Ramsy, Terry Thoreen; May 1, 2023: Emily M. Snider, Ann Marie Breza

Respectfully Submitted,

Lori Moodie

WOEA-R Secretary