

LCRTA GENERAL MEETING MINUTES
ST. JOHN VIANNEY SOCIAL HALL
NOVEMBER 14, 2017

Call to Order: President Karen Sawitke called the meeting to order at 11:30.

Welcome: Karen welcomed new member Connie Irvin.

Invocation: Chaplain Terri Herbert led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance and read the Inspiration "A Thanksgiving Meditation" by Stephen Mansfield, which detailed the trip on the Mayflower.

Luncheon

Program: Dr. Deborah Abbott spoke on how to get started in Genealogy by showing what might be involved in doing a search from an obituary.

BUSINESS MEETING:

Secretary's Report: Minutes from September 12, 2017, approved as corrected.

Treasurer's Report: Totals of all monies:\$11,020.69 and a total of scholarship monies to be \$1,738.07.The report was approved and submitted for audit.

Pat Murphy submitted the proposed budget for 2018, which is \$80.00 more than the 2017 budget. Greta Pate moved to accept with a second by Bette Pollino.

Social Travel Report: Total of all monies as of - \$3,512.61. Report was approved and submitted for audit.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Membership: Barb Temple asked to be notified if any person receives a post card regarding past dues. **There are 167 renewals, 75 not yet renewing. Dues are due by December 20, 2017, in order to be included in the directory.**

Sunshine/Remembrance: Sympathy cards were sent for Donna Frey and Jean Bailis.

Public Relations: Write-up appeared in the Lake County Tribune and Mimi's Magazine about the scholarship and grant winners.

Legislative: A report was given on HB200. This is an expansion of Ohio's school voucher system. HB200 would further divert public taxpayer dollars away from traditional public-school districts to be used for private and parochial school tuition. A tax bill is being proposed that would cause teachers to lose the \$250 deduction for classroom supplies. A reminder of open enrollment in health care was also discussed.

Social/Travel: Twenty-one have signed up for the Philadelphia trip in December. Members interested in the trip to Iceland from September 15-23, 2018 should contact Gail Allcock. Members interested in a trip to Kentucky

from May 16-20, 2018 should contact Lynn Miller.

Program: April's meeting will be held on April 3, 2018 at Quail Hollow with the Geauga Retired Teachers Association. **NOTE THE DIFFERENCE IN THE DATE.**

Lunch/Meeting sites: Pat Mazzolini was the winner of the free lunch for November.

OLD BUSINESS:

The tutoring opportunity that was listed in the last newsletter will not be posted again due to information that has been obtained the there is a payment required for training.

Active teacher grant information has been sent out. Applications are due by December 31, 2017.

NEW BUSINESS:

December Board meeting will be December 4 at the Holiday Inn on Route 306.

Those who have been to the luncheons in 2017, but are not in attendance at the last luncheon will receive their questionnaires in the mail.

New Board members are needed for 2018:

Lunch/Meeting sites: could be a two person job.

Informative and Protective Services: articles written for the newsletter 5 times per year.

Membership: computer skills are a must. Not a difficult job, but time consuming.

President-Elect

GOOD OF THE ORDER: 50/50 raffle winner-Greta Pate

UPCOMING EVENTS: Board Meeting - December 4th, 2017 at the Holiday Inn, Mentor

Adjourned: 2:30pm

Debbie Deal

Recording Secretary