

**COBB COUNTY RETIREE EMPLOYEE ASSOCIATION**

**MINUTES**

**FEBRUARY 20, 2017**

The monthly meeting of the CCREA was held on Monday February 20, 2017 at the West Cobb Senior Center. President David Stone called the meeting to order at 10:30 a.m.

Invocation was given by Melvin Holton, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag led by President Stone.

**NEW MEMBERS:** No new members in attendance.

**ILLNESS/DEATH:** Fire Department R.L. Stanford, Clyde Lance, Bob Souther and longtime Cobb County Chief Financial Officer Jim Pehrson have all passed away recently, Tommy Ingram had a stroke and Tiny Morris has been diagnosed with cancer. Please keep them and their family members in prayers.

**PROGRAM:** Member Bob Beard introduced our speaker, Major Bob Bixby. He is a retired U.S. Army "Dustoff" medivac helicopter pilot who flew during the Vietnam War. He gave a fascinating presentation about his experiences as a 20 year old Warrant Officer flying dangerous helicopter missions under all conditions to bring wounded soldiers and civilians to the medical care they needed, all while being under frequent enemy fire.

**TREASURE REPORT:** As of February 20, 2017 we have \$8021.32 in the checking account. A motion was made and second to accept the report. Motion carried

**SECRETARY:** Minutes of the last meeting were distributed. A motion was made and second to accept the minutes. Motion carried

**OLD/NEW BUSINESS:** The Calvary Children Home sent their letter of thanks for our donation of \$554.00 we gave to them at Christmas.

The CCREA Member of the year was announced as Carl Cannington who was given an award and gift cards by President Stone. CONGRATULATIONS TO CARL!

Tressie Bloodworth of the Cobb County Human Resources Department gave a short presentation regarding the delays in getting medical reimbursements. She stated the problems are being cleared up and she took the names of those who were still having issues.

Speaker next month TBA

A reminder to pay 2017 Dues and mentioned by President Stone.

Door prize winner was Doris Wilson, Congratulations!

Roswell Story mentioned his recent visit on the Cobb County Pension Board. It was explained to him that because the Pension Fund is only 54% funded, no pension cost of living raises are likely to occur. It would require the County to add several million dollars to the Fund, which is also unlikely. Virgil Moon confirmed this assessment based on his knowledge

President Stone brought up the proposed location of the 2017 Christmas Luncheon and sought input from the members. It was decided to revisit the subject at a later meeting.

The next meeting is March 20, 2017 at West Cobb Senior Center.

Being no further business, meeting was adjourned at 11:30a.m

**PLEASE SILENCE YOUR CELL PHONES!**

**DON'T FORGET DUES!**

Minutes taken by Bill Pardue