I. Meeting Called to Order:
   • 10:00 am by President Jan Corn.
   • Notetakers: Kathy Foote, Kathy Moran

II. Attendance: attached

III. Secretary’s Report: Kathy Foote, Kathy Moran
• Motion to accept as written: Florence Wood
• Seconded: Claudette Johnson
• Passed Unanimously

IV. Treasurer’s Report: - Wanona Carey
• Checking Account Balance: $178.64
• Savings Account Balance: $23,286.70
• Other Treasury Information:
  o Monthly reports have been sent to Julie
  o July is the end of the fiscal year
  o New budget will be discussed
  o Not as much money has been spent due to COVID 19 (no RA…)
  o Financially stable
  o New Hartford has not sent in participation fee; Nona and Doreen may meet with president
  o Sarah~ Did we have left over money? Nona~ money put in savings account so as not to be put into line items
  o Peg~ Where is Rome? Nona~ they are included in flat fee line, they don’t have a chapter
  o Should we increase donation line to $1600?

V. President’s Report: - Jan Corn
• Correspondence: NYSUT office closed, Jan picked up some mail, but it is still in the office

~ Obituaries
• Nancy Weed, teacher, Rome
• Robert Wood, teacher and RTA Pres, Rome
• Diana O'Looney, teacher, Utica
• Barbara Glueck, teacher, NH and Westmorland
• William Sheppard, teacher, Utica
• Eleanora McClusky, teacher, Utica
• Leslie Bulken, teacher, Utica
• Helene Sand, teacher, Holland Patent
• Joanna Moore, teacher, NH and Westmoreland
• Palma Note, TA, Utica
• Gail Page, teacher, Whitesboro
• Mary Anne Blake, Account Clerk, Rome
• Carol Wilson, teacher, VVS
• Marjorie Ferguson, teacher, Utica
• Robert Kurtyka, teacher, BOCES
• Philomena Ficchi, secretary, Utica
Vicki Anderson, teacher, Utica
Barbara Lambert, teacher, NH and Utica
Harold Goldfine, teacher, Saquoit
Merlyn Cardozo, nurse, NH
Ronald Kaplan, teacher, Rome
Mary Schecter, teacher, Utica
Jean Glatt, TA, Utica and Whitesboro
Janet Burt, teacher, Clinton
Marion Tomaino, TA, Utica
Lucy Jones, Business Manager, Saquoit
Francine Sreca, teacher, NH
Eva Clark, teacher, Utica
Amy Snow, teacher, Utica
Tamara Valentine, teacher, Utica
Mary Boesch, teacher, Utica
Olive Rudd, Business Office, Whitesboro
Anthony Greico, teacher, Holland Patent

ARA ~
Next meeting ~ September 11, ZOOM meeting ~ How can we become involved with supporting our candidates?

Oneida County Presidents ~
57/20: Virtual teaching
8/19/20: Reopening issues

NYSUT Leadership Conference: 8/11/20-8/13/20, motto: Union for Life
Sessions: engagement, data, surveys, virtual venues, social media, AFT Action Network, RC’s 30th anniversary

VI. NYSUT Consultant: - Anne Marie Voutsinas
No Report

VII. Retiree Advisory Council: - Carole Gehrig
- No meetings
- Carole has been reappointed by Loretta
- Still waiting to hear if reports have been received
- Doreen and Jan will meet with New Hartford to discuss lack of $
VIII. Newsletter: - Janet Furgal
• Unknown if there will be a Fall newsletter, but NYSUT has sent the ad, Janet has been trying to contact NYSUT, if so the September-October will need to be put together ASAP
• NYSUT is possibly putting out one newsletter
• Will RC8 be paid in full for attempting to include all ads in 19/20 newsletters

Old Business:
• New computer is in office; wireless printer unable to connect because of interference from outside business, hooked up with wires for now
• Labor Council Education Committee~ formed to educate public about Labor Council
  o Working with Hamilton College interns to write bill to include labor history in NY K-12 curriculum
  o Labor Council cannot sponsor bill because it is seen as lobbying
  o NYSUT has agreed to sponsor it, but AFT said no
  o How did other states get labor history bills into law?

Committee Reports:
A. Luncheon Committee: - Howard, Jim, Sarah, Diana, Keri
  • Spring Luncheon ~ VALENTINO’S
    Date: May 13 Time:

B. Luncheon Speaker:
  • John Rogers~ Bluebirds and More

C. Legislative Issues Committee: - Howard, Carole
  • Know the facts about candidates we are supporting
  • Call Cuomo’s office about school funding
  • Brindisi’s office very responsive to calls
  • Carole played a large role in calling retirees to check on Retiree Welfare during COVID

D. Labor Council Representative: - Wanona
  • Nona has been working on the Samuel Gompers Award~ October celebration will be virtual
  • Candidates have been endorsed by the list has not been sent out
E. CNYARA Representatives:  *Florence, Carole, Jan*
   Next meeting:  9/11/20

F. Membership Committee:  *Wanona, Florence, Ken, Jan, Helen*
   - RC8 did not send “Welcome to Retirement” letters because we did not have info from districts, will do when we receive the info.
   - Some districts did send their own letters

G. ED Delegates Report:  *Howard, Jan, Carole*
   - ED 51 meeting~ September 14-15

H. Educational Issues Committee:  *Jan, Carole, Doreen*
   - Concerns about mid-year cuts
   - What happens if someone tests positive in your class
   - Do you have to use personal or sick time if forced to quarantine
   - Who pays for testing

I. Election Committee:  *Florence, Helen*
   - Slate of officers ~ unopposed, secretary cast one ballot, everyone won!

J. Public Relations Committee:  *Jan*
   - No Report

K. Political Action (PAC):  *Ken, Carole, Al*
   - ZOOM meeting with Marianne Buttenschon

L. Social Action:  *Helen, Janet, Cheryl, Sarah, Nancy, Linda*
   - Successful school supplies drive!
   - Food Pantry Challenge from HP to other chapters benefitted a number of organizations
   - Making Strides Against Breast Cancer, October 18, Sangertown Square~ donations can be made, drive thru

M. Sunshine:  *Janet*
   - 1 get well
   - 1 sympathy
N. **Mike Corn Award:** - *Howard, Jan, Marie*
   - Committee approved 2021 recipient. Will be announced

**Discussion Topic(s):**
- Scholarships from RC 8?
- Dues cut?

**New Business:**
- Vote Cope~ email from Jan about payroll deduction can be used by all retirees
- Volunteers needed to make calls for Brindisi

**Questions and Comments:**

**Local Reports:** Time ran out, unable to cover local reports

**Adjournment:**
- Motion to adjourn was made by: Carole
- Seconded by: Florence
- Motion passed: Unanimously
- Meeting was adjourned at: 12:00

**Next Meeting:** October 13
*May be a different venue....ZOOM, etc…*

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