



RCAEOP GENERAL MEETING

DATE: Thursday, January 10, 2019
TIME: 5:08 pm
LOCATION: R2i2, Board Room

Call to Order by: President Elect Melody Wise Butler, CEOE

Welcome: President Elect Melody Wise Butler, CEOE

Members in Attendance: 27

The Pledge of Allegiance led by: Shelia Washington, CEOE

Approval of December 6, 2018 Minutes: President Elect Melody Wise Butler, CEOE, presented the minutes. Gwen Etheredge, CEOE, recommended to change “at” to “as” under the NAEOP Annual Conference notes. Motion to approve by Tamika Sherman and seconded by Cassandra Wormack. Ms. Butler approved the minutes with the said changes.

Professional Perspective: 2018 Office Professional of the Year, Rachel Phelps, CEOE, hopes 2019 will be Blessed, Brighter, Better and Beautiful. Her perspective about a fresh start for 2019 is: 1. We must press the restart button on our lives. 2. Start a new life with a purpose. 3. Move forward by doing something new and fresh. 4. We should focus our views on our future and see ourselves as strong, daring, intelligent and awesome members. 5. Put the past in the past and stop holding ourselves hostage. 6. Don't allow fear and negative people to steal your joy. 7. See yourselves as greater. 8. Remember, RCAEOP has a lot to offer us so let's take advantage of it all.

Committee Reports:

Treasurer Report – Patti Christensen, CEOE, reported there was not a lot of activity in December. Total for the Belk Fall Fundraiser is \$1,905. RCAEOP shirts are in. Please see Ms. Christensen at the end of the meeting.

Fundraising – President Elect Melody Wise Butler, CEOE, reported Hope Eddy, CEOE, sent her report to Ms. Butler. We received \$65.65 from the Sandhills Belk store. We received \$151 from the Columbiana Belk store. Ms. Eddy also received a call from the Columbiana Belk store and they have found another check they believe is for RCAEOP.

Membership/Recruitment – Shavon Fulton, CEOE, announced new members Shandel Zimmerman and Cynthia Johnson. Teresa Faile, CEOE, from York Technical College reported there will be another employee from York Technical College attending SCAEOP Conference.

Robin Dawson, CEOE, stopped by to say goodbye. She is no longer working in Richland School District One and wanted to say thank you for all the support during the years and wishes us all the best.

Newsletter/Public Relations – Tavares Joseph, reported the January newsletter is in progress. Keep sending information.

Community Service – Tamara Baldwin, CEOE, gave the committee report by phone. The following members helped served dinner at Transitions on Friday December 14, 2018: Felicia Jackson, Rachel Phelps, CEOE, Darlene Montgomery, CEOE, Sherrie Poole, Sheila Washington, CEOE, Darlene Scott, CEOE. We will still be collaborating with Epworth Children’s Home. We will collect towels during our Spring Professional Development and we will collect additional items (not inclusive): liquid hand soap, Caress and Irish Spring soap, Chap Stick, deodorant/antiperspirant (Secret for Women. Degree for Men), alarm clocks. A more extensive list will be put out soon.

Upcoming Events/Announcements:

SCAEOP Conference – February 28-March 3, 2019

President Elect Melody Wise Butler, CEOE, reported:

- This year’s conference will be the last year at the Hilton Hotel.
- Eronda Jackson, CEOE, incoming 2019-2020 SCAEOP President, will be bringing items to next month’s meeting for the center pieces. She will need help putting these together so the February meeting will be at the Richland Two Conference Center.
- One change in the conference this year is the Conference Chairs are asking people to bring \$5 gift cards for door prizes. You can bring the gift cards to our next meeting or drop them off at the conference registration desk.
- Deadline for Ads in the program is February 1, 2019.
- If you signed up for a committee and you haven’t heard from your chair person please contact the committee chairs, Marybeth Gawrys, CEOE, and Paula Rosenberger, CEOE.
- Ms. Wise Butler is running unopposed as SCAEOP President Elect and she will be the 2020-2021 SCAEOP President.

RCAEOP Professional Development Day – Saturday, April 6, 2019, at Richland Two Conference Center. More information will be given next month. Hours are 8:00 am – 4:00 pm

RCAEOP Annual Gala – Thursday, May 2, 2019 - Location: The Gala by JW (Clemson Road). Executive Board will be meeting within the next two weeks to start the planning.

NAEOP Annual Conference – July 15 – 20, 2019, in Boise, Idaho. Our very own Jill Averyhart, CEOE, will be installed as the National President and our President Georgette Council, CEOE, will be installed as the Mid-Atlantic Area Director.

Next RCAEOP meeting will be February 7, 2019, at the Richland Two Conference Center.

Meeting Adjourned at 5:34 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,
Dee Dee Milakovich, CEOE, Secretary
January 10, 2019