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RCAEOP GENERAL MEETING

DATE: March 5, 2020

TIME: 5:04 pm

LOCATION: RSD2, Conference Center, Columbia Place Mall

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

Members in Attendance: 31

The Pledge of Allegiance led by: Melody Wise Butler, CEOE, President

Approval of January 9, 2020 and February 13, 2020 Minutes: Motion to accept by Nona Montoya, CEOE, and second by Louise Snipes, CEOE. Approved with all necessary corrections.

Professional Perspective: Nona Montoya, CEOE, requested a moment of silence for all affected by the tornadoes in Tennessee.

Committee Reports:

Community Service: President Melody Wise Butler, CEOE, reported for Shelia Washington, CEOE. The committee has met and has reached out to the district social workers to inquire about the needs of our students. There is a freezer being donated to be able to accept perishables. Our spring fundraiser will be to collect items for our students in RSD2 and RSD1. Louise Snipes, CEOE, reported this is National Social Worker Appreciation week. Ms. Cobb, RSD2 Lead Social Worker is reaching out to RSD1. They will gladly accept gift cards from places like Walmart or Target for families. You may bring donations to the Professional Development Day in May.

Fundraising/Ways & Means: Jennifer Dyarmett, CEOE, reported the Spring Belk Fundraiser is the same day as our Professional Development Day. The committee decided to sell the tickets, we just won't be able to volunteer the day of the event. There will be an incentive for ticket sales. Hope Eddy, CEOE, explained the incentive will be one entry for every 10 tickets sold to win a personalized gift basket. Georgette Council, CEOE, reminded members you can shop the week before the Saturday Sale and pick up your items that Saturday or even the week before.

Ms. Dyarmett presented a T-shirt design by ID Claire. There was a discussion about getting quotes from other vendors especially ones who have supported RCAEOP in the past. Georgette Council, CEOE, requested if PB Professionals is competitive she would like RCAEOP to use the company because he has donated the professional development day committee t-shirts in the past.

Professional Growth: Larissa Thurman thanked her committee for their hard work. Most speakers are secured. Ms. Thurman thanked Jennifer Hedrick, CEOE, for sending out the online registration link, about 30 people have signed up. President Butler will reach out to the other state affiliates. The day starts at 8:00 am to 3:30 pm. Registration deadline is April 10, 2020. Attendees will need to bring a device and will receive 6 hours of PSP. Any one may attend even if they are not a RCAEOP member.

Membership/Recruitment: President Melody Wise Butler, CEOE, welcomed new members Roxanna Cubero and Deneitra Jackson both from RSD2 Brookfield District Office. President Butler announced the theme for our recruitment drive is "Race Around Richland. It runs from March 1 – March 31, 2020. The person who sponsors the highest number of members will receive lunch, second place will receive a gift card and 3rd place will receive a customized t-shirt or coffee mug.

Student Scholarship: Rachel Phelps, CEOE, reported two applications have been received. Reminded members the application deadline is March 16, 2020.

Administrator of the Year: President Butler reported the NAEOP application has been submitted.

Office Professional of the Year: President Butler reported the NAEOP application has been submitted.

Announcements:

President Butler reminded members to submit nominations to Gloria Deramus for the upcoming RCAEOP elections. The positions open are President Elect, Vice President, Treasurer and Secretary. President Elect and Vice President terms are one year. Treasurer and Secretary terms are two year.

Paula Rosenberger, CEOE, announced she is starting to work on her committee chairs for 2020-2021 year.

Jill Averyhart, CEOE, NAEOP President handed out a copy of the NAEOP Bylaws changes and reviewed the information. The voting will begin on March 17, 2020.

Professional Development Day is Saturday, May 2, 2020.

RCAEOP Gala is Thursday, April 30, 2020. You may purchase tickets after the meeting or on the RCAEOP website. Mrs. Council does have the invites ready to send to the district principals.

Treasurer Report: Patti Christensen, CEOE, reported there has not been a lot of activity the last couple of months. Most of the budget is usually spent between now and August.

Other Business: Nona Montoya, CEOE, asked if there will be a team building event this year. Patti Christensen, CEOE, requested suggestions. Ms. Thurman suggested Axe throwing. President Butler stated the Executive Board would discuss a team building event and inform the membership at a later date.

Meeting Adjourned: 6:00 pm

Respectfully Submitted,
Dee Dee S. Milakovich, CEOE
Secretary