DCCCD Retirees Association
Spring Luncheon and Business Meeting
March 21, 2019

Approximately sixty-five members and guests attended the annual Spring Luncheon and Business Meeting on March 21, 2019, at El Centro College (ECC). President Dottie Clark welcomed the attendees.

Steve DeShazo, Food & Hospitality Institute Director, announced the upcoming Bits & Bites 11th Anniversary event on April 14, 2019, from 5 - 8 p.m. at the Dallas Arboretum and encouraged the retirees to attend.

Dr. Jose Adames, El Centro College President, also welcomed the attendees and gave an update on the proposed new location for El Centro College and the District Office. The bond election in May. A Fact Sheet concerning the DCCCD Bond Election on May 4, 2019, was provided.

Introduction of the Faculty and students from the Food and Hospitality Program Service involved in the meal preparation.

The DCCCD Retirees Association business meeting was called to order by Dottie Clark at 12:20 p.m.

Yazmin Munoz, DCCCD Retirees Association Student Scholarship recipient, was introduced by Georgia Francis. Yazmin thanked the association for the scholarship and spoke about her plans for continuing her education after spring 2019 graduation from El Centro.

Delryn Fleming, the Treasurer, provided a handout listing the luncheon attendees, as well as an update on membership as of March 15, 2019 (161 Life members and 87 annual members). Delryn encouraged our members to issue a personal invitation to new retirees to be involved in our activities. Regards to the Treasurer's report on March 15, 2019, an overview of finances presented: $15,142.75 Cash Balance, $3,160.00 encumbered funds January-March 2019, a savings account of $505.07, a Certificate of Deposit for $15,056.41 and a balance of endowment in the DCCCD Retirees Association Foundation of $10,607.50.

Bette Plog, the Secretary, provided a handout with proposed revisions to the By-Laws. Beverly Carpenter moved to approve, and Lisa Theriot seconded the motion. This motion passed.

Traci Morin, DCCCD website content coordinator, will update the By-Laws on the District Retirees website.

An overview of future events discussed, and a handout providing deadlines and costs listed.

Georgia Francis, on behalf of Museum Coordinator Bob Chambers, discussed two museum visits including the Dallas Museum of Art on March 29, 2019, with a docent-guided tour of two
exhibits: “Woman Artists in Europe from the Monarchy to Modernism” and “Berthe Morisot, Woman Impressionist.” The museum event in Fort Worth on June 20, 2019, will include a visit to the Kimbell Art Museum with a docent-guided tour of “Monet: The Last Years.”

Rosie Steffen, Special Events Coordinator, provided information about the Kentucky Derby Day at Lone Star Park in Grand Prairie May 4, 2019.

Donna Strain, the Theater Coordinator, announced March 31, 2019, Uptown Players play Disaster! to be held at the Kalita Humphries Theater.

Georgia Francis presented a new email address change request form for those no longer using the DCCCD email address. Email addresses are in the process for updates for the new Retiree directory for the members only June newsletter mailing.

Dr. Jennifer Wimbish, retired President of Cedar Valley College, invites retirees to attend her book signing events scheduled for the launching of her new book “Leadership Wisdom for All Generations.”

Rosie Steffen facilitated the drawing of door prizes which included gift cards to Rock Fish and one to La Madeleine, tickets to the Dallas Arboretum, and theater tickets.

Dottie Clark adjourned the meeting at 1:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted

Bette Plog, Secretary
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