

## **SOUTH DAKOTA RETIRED SCHOOL PERSONNEL**

### **ZOOM MEETING**

Tuesday, January 19, 2021

2:30 P.M.

### **Minutes of the Meeting**

**Board Members Present:** President, Rhonda Preller; President Elect, Jacque Sly; Vice President, Kay Ainslie; Secretary, Amy Ramsey; Treasurer, Pat Johnson; Director, Gerri Larson; Membership/Publicity/Newsletter, Paula Brakke

**Board Members Absent:** Past President, Ron Riherd

**Non-Voting Members Present:** Past Executive Director, Nancy May

**President, Rhonda Preller, called the meeting to order.**

**Secretary's Report:** Copies of the Secretary's Report were emailed to the Board by Secretary, Amy Ramsey. The report was read by the members of the Board. Corrections were requested, but none were made. Pat Johnson made a motion to accept the minutes as written. Paula Brakke seconded the motion. A vote was taken, and the motion passed.

**Treasurer's Report:** Treasurer, Pat Johnson, emailed copies of the Treasurer's Report to the Board. A motion to accept the report was made and seconded. A vote was taken, the motion passed.

**2021 State Convention Discussion:** Pat Johnson suggested not holding the Convention in May, but instead at the end of September. The Holiday Inn can reschedule but will need to be contacted to change to September. Gerri Larson will check with AARP State Director, Erik Gaikowski, to see if the change will work for AARP. Pat Johnson proposed changing the fee from \$50 to \$25. A motion was made by Kay Ainslie and seconded by Paula Brakke. A vote was taken, and the motion passed.

**Grandparent Essay:** Donna Fischer, Chair, proposed the essay be cancelled this year. President, Rhonda Preller, made the decision to cancel it. Local units may still have the contest as wanted. We can provide medals or ribbons, if requested.

**2021 Budget Proposal:** Treasurer, Pat Johnson, stated the Budget Proposal shows 2 Conventions. One to be held in September 2021 and one in May 2022. Both Conventions would come out of this year's Budget. A motion was made by Jacque Sly to approve this Budget. Kay Ainslie seconded the motion. A vote was taken, and motion passed.

**Logo Change Discussion:** A discussion on changing our logo should take place at Convention. Members should be notified, prior to the Convention, that this discussion will take place. Gerri Larson will have drawings to present at the Convention. If members are in favor of a change, the Board will vote on it.

**Summer Board Meeting:** An in-person summer Board meeting will tentatively be held in July at the Pizza Ranch in Pierre, SD. More information will follow.

**Newsletter:** Paula Brakke will put out newsletters in March and in May or June. Deadlines are 1 week to 10 days prior to the issues. Paula will send the timeline to the Unit Presidents. It was requested Paula send the spreadsheet with information on the Units to Board Members and to Unit Presidents.

**Facebook Page:** Linda Dupree has been taking care of the Facebook page. She would like to pass this job on to a new person. It was suggested to send out a request to Unit Presidents to see if they have anyone to take over this job.

**Other Business:**

Uses for Money: Treasurer, Pat Johnson, would like some suggestions on uses for the organization's money. It will be discussed at the summer meeting.

Old Newsletters and Posters: Pat Johnson has copies of old newsletters and posters. She will bring to the Convention for the taking by interested parties.

Memorial Service: Pat Johnson suggested we have 2 Memorial Services at the next Convention, one for 2020 and one for 2021 through the end of May.

**Meeting Adjourned:** Kay Ainslie made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Pat Johnson seconded the motion. A vote was taken. Motion carried. The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

*Amy Ramsey*

Amy Ramsey, Secretary