

DCCCD Retirees Association
Holiday Luncheon and Business Meeting
Dec 7, 2018

Seventy-seven members and guests attended the annual DCCCD Retirees Association Holiday Luncheon. The Business Meeting was called to order by President Dottie Clark at 1:00 p.m.

DCCCD Talent Central guests George Lawson and Traci Morin were introduced. The 2018 Retiree Hall of Honor awardees present were introduced: Theresa Roffino (Administrator) and Dr. Francis Osentowski (Faculty). Helen Butler (Professional Support Staff) was unable to attend. The awards honor and recognize district retirees who have made outstanding, distinctive or significant contributions to the colleges/locations during their DCCCD employment and their service to the district or to their communities after retirement.

New retirees and those attending the Holiday Luncheon for the first time were asked to introduce themselves and give their retirement location.

Cindy Risher tendered her resignation as Vice President due to health issues. Dottie Clark introduced Karen Laljiana as the new interim Vice President to be serving out the second year of the officer term.

Delryn Fleming presented the current Membership and Treasurer's reports as of November 30, 2018 which were accepted by a show of hands. Copies were available at each table.

Handouts describing spring 2019 proposed activities were on each table. More information will be published in the 2019 Spring RET Newsletter.

Spring Luncheon and Horse Races – Rosie Steffen

Spring Luncheon – Thursday, March 21, 2019, El Centro College

Horse Races/Kentucky Derby Day – Saturday, May 4, 2019, Lone Star Park

Holiday Luncheon and Business Meeting for 2019 - Tuesday, December 10, 2019, Maggiano's Little Italy

Spring Tour - Don Baynham

Tour Hall of State, Fair Park - Friday, March 15, 2019

Theater Event – Donna Strain

Disaster!, Kalita Humphries Theater, Uptown Players - Sunday, March 31, 2019

Museum Events – Bob Chambers

Trip to Fort Worth Kimbell Museum: - TBD

One additional museum outing - TBD

Dottie Clark gave updates related to a new retiree email address and answered concerns. During the meeting, an email was received indicating additional changes and access is in process with more information coming soon pending legal approval. If retirees encounter problems signing into eConnect, they are to contact the Help Desk at the LeCroy Center (972 669-6477) or email helpdesk@dcccd.edu.

An updated DCCCD Retiree Directory is to be produced for 2019-2021. Because of the District email address changes, the Retirees Association needs to collect personal email addresses that can be included in the new directory. Georgia Francis distributed a form asking those retirees present at the luncheon to share their email addresses. The hard copy of the Directory will be printed and sent to members of the Retirees Association only.

Currently there is also a password protected Directory on the DCCCD website. When the new Directory is finalized, it will be placed on the web and information about access will be provided.

Dottie Clark reported that the Scholarship Committee was evaluating applications for the Retiree scholarship to be awarded for spring 2019. The winner will be announced in the spring RET newsletter and invited to the spring luncheon and business meeting.

The business meeting ended with a drawing for several door prizes and was adjourned at 1:50 P.M.

Bette Plog, Secretary

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