

**DCCCD Retirees Association**  
**Leadership Group Meeting at District Office**  
**January 9, 2018**

The DCCCD Retirees Association Leadership Group meeting was called to order at 10:35 am. Those present were Dottie Clark, Don Baynham, Susan Turner, Delryn Fleming, Cindy Risher, Georgia Francis, Rosie Steffen and Bette Plog.

Dottie Clark welcomed new members Cindy Risher, Vice-President and Delryn Fleming, Treasurer.

Others in attendance introduced themselves and gave a little background on what they did in the District before retirement, length of service and what role they currently play in the Leadership Group and/or Executive Board.

Dottie Clark also gave a history of the transition at the District level of the reporting structure and the current role and responsibilities of the Association liaison.

Leadership Group meetings generally occur in January, May and September. The Executive Board meets as needed.

It was agreed that the Vice-President would keep the Membership List and will be in contact with new retirees, asking them to join the Association. Checks will continue to be sent to the Treasurer who will report new member information to the Vice-President.

A motion made by Delryn Fleming and seconded by Susan Turner was unanimously approved giving Cindy Risher the authority to create and acquire Association letterhead and envelopes to be used in correspondence and recruitment of new members.

An updated membership list needs to be sent to the secretary which will be used when sending sympathy cards to retirees and their families.

Updated addresses, phone numbers and emails and will be sent out as an addendum in the summer.

Minutes of the September 19, 2017 and December 6, 2017 meetings were approved with edits. Copies of the approved By-Laws were distributed.

Georgia Francis, chair of the Scholarship Committee, announced that the DCCCD Retirees Association Scholarship for spring 2018 will be awarded to a student attending Richland College. As a follow up to the meeting, the student dropped a course and no longer met eligibility. Abigael Oshadi was then selected and will be invited to attend the

2018 spring luncheon and business meeting. There were 19 scholarship applications reviewed. The Scholarship Committee will meet soon to determine if any revisions are needed to the selection criteria.

Bob Chambers, Museum Coordinator, was unable to attend but Georgia Francis presented his proposed spring 2018 museum events. Museum of Street Culture : "Looking for Home: A Yearlong Focus on the Work of Mary Ellen Mark" located in downtown Dallas date has yet to be determined. The trip to the Fort Worth Kimbell Museum: "From the Lands of Asia: the Sam and Myrna Myers Collection" will be on Wednesday, April 11, 2018. More information will be available in the spring 2018 RET Newsletter.

We are still looking for someone to step up and become the Theater Event coordinator. Rosie Steffen has agreed to continue as the Special Events coordinator through Dottie Clark's term.

Rosie Steffen discussed the trip to The Star in Frisco planned for Tuesday, February 6, 2018 beginning at 10:30 a.m. A deposit of \$250.00 is needed to reserve the date. Cost of the tour is \$25.00. Deadline to receive payment from those attending is Monday, January 29, 2018.

The Spring Luncheon and business meeting will be held at El Centro College Thursday, April 5, 2018. As a follow-up to the meeting, the cost of the luncheon will be \$14.00. (\$12.00 for the luncheon costs plus \$2.00 for the Food and Hospitality Services Scholarship fund). The deadline for reservations was not determined. Retirees will meet and greet at 11 a.m. and will enter the Food Service dining room at 11:30 a.m. The menu will be Italian cuisine. Rosie Steffen and Georgia Francis will communicate with Swee about the luncheon and will also ask for the mic and podium, as well as two head tables and a table out front for badges. Dottie Clark will let Cindy Risher and Delryn Fleming know which guests will be attending from the District. Handouts will be passed out at the door rather than being placed on the tables. Delryn Fleming will give a list of attendees to Georgia Francis to give to ECC Security and will provide a handout of members attending and their guests. Cindy Risher will provide the name badges after receiving the list of paid members and guests from Delryn Fleming. Georgia Francis will provide other information related to the spring luncheon to Susan Turner for the spring 2018 RET Newsletter. Vegetarian and special diets can be accommodated, and a place will be provided on the reservation form for those requiring either. Members were reminded that door prizes are always welcome.

Rosie Steffen announced the Kentucky Derby Day at Lone Star Park will be May 5, 2018. Cost will be \$50.00 per person. Doors open at 10:30 a.m. with the first race beginning at 1:35 p.m. Thirty-five tickets have been reserved. The deadline for reservations will be Friday, April 13, 2018. Parking details and menu information will be published in the sp 2018 RET Newsletter.

The 2018 Holiday Luncheon and business meeting will be December Friday, December 7th at Maggiano's. Cost will be \$35.00. Vegetarian and special diets can be accommodated, and a place will be provided on the reservation form for those requiring either. More details will follow in the fall 2018 RET Newsletter. The date for the 2019 Holiday Luncheon and business meeting will be Tuesday, December 10, 2019.

The Tour of Dallas Heritage Village at Old City Park will be in April or May. The date will be announced later. This event will be free. There is a candlelight tour at the location in December. It was suggested that this might be scheduled as an additional event to attend in December 2018. There is a cost associated with the December tour. Don Baynham will investigate the possibility and report at a later meeting.

Because deposits are required in advance to reserve certain events which members and guests pay individually to attend, it was suggested that the Treasurer look into the possibility of obtaining a Debit card to use for these deposits and payments.

Delryn Fleming will also look into the possibility of the Retirees Association obtaining a 501(c)3 status which could result in a savings on taxes applied for various events.

Dottie Clark announced that the deadline for submitting Hall of Honor nominations will be March 5, 2018. Forms will be published in the 2018 spring RET Newsletter.

Susan Turner distributed a handout of 2018 spring RET Newsletter content and responsibilities. Monday, January 22, 2018 was set as the deadline to give Susan newsletter data. Monday, February 5, 2018 the copy should be ready to go to print. Tuesday, February 13, 2018 at 1 p.m. was established as the date to stuff envelopes with the 2018 spring RET Newsletter.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Bette Plog, Secretary