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PEF REGION 8 RETIREES

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OPENING WELCOME REMARKS

Karen welcomed everyone back and hoped they all had good holidays. She went over the meeting schedule for 2023 with emphasis on RSVP's and a need to strictly adhere to it and to one meal choice to keep cost down. If you know you cannot attend after making a reservation as soon as you can let us know. We will allow guests but only if room availability. We will not decline a member for a guest's attendance. 200 maximum for attendance. We will only be taking reservations for one meeting at a time starting the Tuesday after the previous month's meeting- A SIGN in SHEET will be available for the following months meeting.

LEGISLATIVE UPDATES

COLA BILL - Sen Jackson sponsored it and is waiting for fiscal impact statement and then a bill number will be assigned. Health Care Diminishment Bill- awaiting a new bill number and will be removing reference to reimbursement- the law suit - lost so not an issue any longer. P. Lyons is meeting with AFLCIO who has the umbrellas of unions and is trying to craft a bill we can build coalition on with all union member that are affected. Strength in Unity. Skilled Nursing bill- the governor vetoed it. Senator Breslin and Assemblyman McDonald are going to try to but it into the budget bills.

TREASURERS REPORT- A. Wiley- The budget for 2023-2024 was submitted along with the 4th quarter

report. BALANCE as of 2/28/23 is \$18,124.57 before this meetings expense.

SECRETARY'S REPORT- 191 RSVP'D to attend this meeting.

Constitutional Amendment- B. Harms- change the constitution from 6 meetings a year to up to 4 meetings a year. After much discussion it was changed to up to 6 meetings a year. A motion to accept the change was made by P. Spath, seconded, and carried.

MBP- Samantha Kalbfliesh – Sam gave a presentation on MBP benefits available to members. She was also able to talk one on one to members before and after the meeting.

QUESTIONS AND ISSUES FROM MEMBERS

A member asked if the next meeting was a lunch or a brunch. March and April will be brunch meetings and will start at 10:30 AM instead of 11:30 AM. We ask members not to arrive before that start time since servers need to finish setting up the room and we need time to get check in and cash sheets ready to check members in.

Adjourn- a motion to adjourn was made at 2:00 PM by B. Harms seconded by A. Yasus and carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Janet Messina

Secretary