

Cookeville/Putnam County Chapter 1956
Minutes of Meetings
May 20, 2014

The Cookeville chapter of NARFE met May 20, at Shoney's Restaurant with 14 members and guests present. Meeting was opened by an invocation and pledge of allegiance to the flag.

Speaker was Michelle Parrott, Director of UT Extension Office in Putnam County.

President Collins stated three of us attended the Federation Convention. He mentioned that it was one of the better ones over the last few years. Since it was in middle TN it was better attended than most. His full report can be read in the newsletter.

President Collins stated we have until June to designate someone to go to the National Convention on behalf of our chapter. The dates of the convention in Orlando Florida are August 24-28. He asked if anyone is thinking about going.

Larry Harkleroad gave a report on the Future of NARFE changes.

President Collins stated there is a lot of controversy on the topic of "The Future of NARFE". Some people are not happy with some of the recommendations of the FON committee. This will be a hot topic at the convention.

President Collins mentioned that the consumer Price Index increase in the month of April by 0.38 percent makes for an increase since last October of 1.35 percent. There are still a few more reports before the end of this reporting year.

Treasurer's Report: Treasurer Myrna Estes stated dues received were \$109.52 and a balance of \$1,462.59.

Membership Report by Larry Harkleroad: This month's membership report shows second dues notice was sent to Fate Keisling. Greta Witcher was dropped. Waymon Roberts renewed. Tom and Loretta Collier transferred to another chapter. Member Edwina Napier died in March.

Legislative Report: Dan Hilton gave a report on the town hall meeting with Rep. Diane Black held last month. He also gave a report of the status of NARFE supported legislation. Dan proposed that we set up a meeting with Rep. Diane Black during the August recess. This was discussed to take place on our normal meeting date in August and we would invite other chapters to attend. Dan will proceed with requesting Rep. Black to add it to her schedule.

President Collins stated don't forget to use the NARFE telephone number or e-mail alert system to comment on current legislative actions to your members of Congress.

Sunshine Report: Connie Banker sent a card to the Napier family.

Alzheimer's Report: A collection was taken for Alzheimer's in the amount of \$31.

The next regular meeting will be June 17, 2014.

Meeting was adjourned.

Reba Collins
Chapter Secretary