

PUTNAM COUNTY RETIRED TEACHERS' MEETING MINUTES
March 10, 2020

The meeting was called to order by treasurer Terri McKee in the absence of the president and vice president. The meeting opened with the pledge to the flag.

Lucy Wieland introduced our speaker, Candi MacPherson, section 8 specialist for the Putnam County Housing Authority. Her career has been in housing and she enjoys working Putnam County, close to her Clayton home. She works with tenant based section 8 housing. Project based housing is for those who live in housing projects. Rental subsidies are based on the difference between 30 percent of the household's adjusted monthly income and a "payment standard" of 90 to 110 percent of the housing market's fair market rent (FMR). The housing has to be in our county and is required to pass HUD inspection. There are income limits based on number of members in the household. Candi asked us to inform people who need housing to the Housing Authority. There is a 6 month wait list. When someone is no longer qualified, they go off the program but have a 6 month grace period that allows them to get back into the program if their income drops before the 6 months are up.

Following lunch, a brief business meeting was held. There were thirteen present including the speaker and a guest.

Minutes were approved as they appeared on the web site.

Terri McKee reported that today's balance was \$1727.60. We started the year with a balance of \$441.04. Terri suggested that we had enough in the treasury to increase the scholarship. Lucy Wieland made the motion that we increase our scholarship to \$1,000. Marilyn Lawrence seconded the motion. The motion was carried. Some members suggested that we needed to start publicizing the scholarship soon.

We had expected Lynn Cox our IRTA representative to update us on the latest news at the state level but she did not attend.

The next meeting will be April 14. Diana Van Middlesworth will give us a report of her recent trip to India.

Mike Gibson won the 50/50 drawing.

Respectfully Submitted,

Lucy Wieland, Recording Secretary