

Minnesota Retired State Employees Association

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The Southwest Chapter of MRSEA fall meeting was Thursday, September 25, 2008, 11:00 AM at the Wooden Nickel in Marshall. Seventeen members and four guests were present.

President Henderson called meeting to order. The minutes were read and approved. Treasurer's report was read and approved. Southwest Chapter has \$259.60 in their account.

Dave Bergstrom: Had several handouts on the financial condition of MSRS. Retirees will receive 2.5% increase in 2009. MSRS is pre-funded at 90%. Questions followed regarding MSRS investments. MSRS has done well as indicated on one of the handouts. An interesting note: our retirees are living longer...we have some over 100, one is 105.

Yvonne Ross: Open enrollment is this fall for those with State insurance. Work is continuing on tax relief on pensions. MRSEA will have an updated web site in January 2009. Reminder of the trip to New Ulm October 8. A tour of Shell's Brewery and lunch at Kaiserhoff.

Laura Dobozenki: Explained it's dues time. \$15 and you can designate an extra \$3 to go to PAC if you wish. PAC money goes evenly to republicans and democrats, not any individual candidate.

This meeting is election of officers. Discussion was to change the terms to two years and stagger the President and Vice President. Motion was made and approved to change. We will elect a President for one year (2009) and for two years 2010 & 2011. The Vice President will be elected for two years (2009 & 2010). The Secretary/Treasurer's term runs for another year. In 2009 an election of Sec/Treas will be for two years. Nomination were opened. Consensus was to ask Evie Henderson to be President for one year and Arlene Schoephoerster be Vice President for two years. All approved.

Our spring meeting will be April 23rd, 2009, Wooden Nickel in Marshall at 11 AM.

Meeting adjourned.