**St. Bernard Parish Retired Teachers Association**

**Meeting/Luncheon March 29, 2024**

**Docville Barn in Meraux, Louisiana**

**The meeting was opened at 12:20 p. m. by the president Paul Grethel.**

**Bev Lawrason gave the invocation.**

**Rose Scott led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.**

**The meeting was paused while the members enjoyed the meal.**

**After the meal, the meeting continued.**

**Mickey Lux, Recording Secretary, read the minutes of the last meeting.**

**Rosemary Gioia gave the treasurer’s report. She said we had $13,679.32 at that time.**

**Paul Grethel announced that Rosemary Gioia said that she doesn’t want to continue overseeing the 50/50 drawing, and Carolon Craft and Rose Scott volunteered to take over. Rosemary said that she would be glad to help Carolon and Rose out if necessary.**

**Paul gave the membership report. We have a total of 184 members.**

**Paul said that we will again present a $500.00 scholarship to any Chalmette High School student going to Nunez. It will be presented on April 15.**

**Paul announced that the Spelling Bee was held, and our SBRTA representatives were Denise Cooper, Alan Jones, and Lena Sparacio. They went through nine rounds.**

**Carolon Craft was presented the Retired Teacher of the year award for 2024.**

**Dr. James Taylor spoke to the membership. We must oppose the Constitutional Convention. We need to find out who our congressmen are and contact them. We need to either email them or make a phone call.**

**Paul told members that three of the officers went to Arabi Elementary School in January to bring the school supplies we collected. He requested that more members go to the schools to bring the supplies.**

**Tickets for the door prizes were pulled.**

**The 50/50 ticket was pulled. The total amount was $100.00, and the winner, Kelli Plaiscia, received $50.00.**

**The June meeting will be on June 28 at Docville on the first floor.**

**The meeting was adjourned by Paul Grethel at 2:25 p.m.**

**Respectfully submitted,**

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**Michaele A. Lux
Recording Secretary**