**St. Bernard Parish Retired Teachers Association**

**Christmas Meeting/Luncheon December 3, 2023**

**Copeland’s Restaurant - Slidell, Louisiana**

The meeting was called to order at 12:13 p.m.

The Invocation was given by the president Paul Grethel.

The Pledge of Allegiance to the flag was made by Gayle Hunter.

The meeting was paused for lunch.

After the luncheon, the meeting was restored.

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

James Taylor made a motion that the minutes be accepted as read.  Janice Scioneaux seconded the motion.

The president called for a vote of the membership, and the minutes were approved as read.

Treasurer Rosemary Gioia read the treasurer’s report.  The president said the report will be placed on file for audit.

Rodney Watson spoke about all the successes we have had in the past 15 years and how we must make the “new House” aware of how important retirement is to us.

James Taylor spoke and reminded us about the fact that there will be cuts to education with the new administration and how important it is that we get more retired teachers to join our organization.

President Paul Grethel gave the membership report. We have 206 members. The president said we received the LRTA Unit Gold Award in October again because we are so active.  Paul Grethel also said that we will be delivering supplies to a school in St. Bernard in January 2024.

Paul Grethel announced that our next meeting will be at Docville Barn on March 29.

The rest of the door prize tickets were drawn.

Rosemary Gioia announced that the total amount of the 50/50 prize was $160.00, so the member with the winning ticket will receive $80.00.  The winning ticket was pulled, and the winner was Jo Ann Rosselli.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:15 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Recording Secretary