

Cookeville/Putnam County Chapter 1956
Minutes of Meetings
July 21, 2009

The Cookeville Chapter of NARFE met at Shoney's Restaurant July 31, 2009 with 13 members and guests present. Members were welcomed and guest recognized.

Meeting was opened by an invocation and pledge of allegiance to the flag.

The speaker canceled due to sickness.

Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

President Collins gave an update on the cost of living index from the last newsletter. June numbers show an increase of 1.1% which leaves us at 2.1% lower than at the end of the last reporting year.

Treasurer's Report: The July treasurer's report included collections of \$186.52, disbursements \$134.10, and a balance of \$624.73

Legislative Report: President Collins stated that Hq. made an attempt to attach certain legislation to the Defense Authorization Bill. This includes allowing current employees under FERS to apply their sick leave toward retirement and no penalty for reemployed annuitants plus a few other items. Hq. had tried to get these bills passed previously but have not managed to. He reported in the Newsletter that the NARFE sponsored legislation to improve the TSP was passed and signed into law. NARFE's legislative office is working hard to help members who are current employees. When you have the opportunity to speak to current federal employees let them know that NARFE is working for them.

Membership Report: President Collins stated Patsy Tatum has transferred to our chapter from Donelson. Members reinstated: Olga Szalay, Sue Haskins and Rural Peace. Members dropped for non-renewal: Cathy Gallagher and Sue Richardson.

Sunshine Report: Jacque Pine continues to improve following her surgery.

Alzheimer's Report: a collection was made for Alzheimer's fund in amount of \$29.

The chapter voted to have the Christmas luncheon at Hyder-Burk on Saturday December 12th.

Reba Collins
Chapter Secretary