Cookeville/Putnam County Chapter 1956 Minutes of Meetings February 16, 2010

The Cookeville Chapter of NARFE met at Shoney's Restaurant February 16, 2010 with 18 members and guests present. Members were welcomed and guests recognized. Meeting was opened by an invocation and pledge of allegiance to the flag.

The speaker was Russell Robinson, who spoke on the subject of federal income tax preparation.

Minutes of previous meeting were read and approved.

President's Report: President Collins stated he received some very good suggestions for program speakers at the last meeting. And said is anyone else had suggestions for speakers, to let him know. President Collins also emphasized the need for more chapter members and asked that members talk to those that you know who are eligible for membership and give them membership materials or give him contact information.

Treasurer's Report: The Treasurer report for the month of January included collections of \$142.68 and a balance of \$1,123.96.

Legislative Report: President Collins stated that President Obama's fiscal year 2011 budget request that he sent to Congress does not recommend any reductions in the retirement and health insurance services for federal workers or retirees but this could change as the budget process plays out over the next several months. President Collins asked members to read the article in the February issue of the NARFE magazine on the recent legislative accomplishments.

Membership Report: The most recent membership report for our chapter showed there was 1 reinstatement Bobby Lee, 5 members sent a second dues notice. Betty Robinson said she has contacted most of those 5 by phone and will send letters to those she could not reach. The reported membership cancellation of Joan Oswalt's membership was a misunderstanding with NARFE headquarters.

Sunshine Report: Paul Burgess was having health problems. Myrna Estes' surgery was postponed due to her having an infection.

Alzheimer's Report: A collection was taken for Alzheimer's in the amount of \$26.43.

The NARFE State Federation Convention will be April 19 and 20 in Sevierville, TN. The Chapter voted to send Ronnie and Reba Collins as delegates.

Reba Collins Chapter Secretary