Cookeville/Putnam County Chapter 1956 Minutes of Meetings July 19, 2016

The Cookeville chapter of NARFE met July 19, at Shoney's Restaurant with 11 members present. Meeting was opened by an invocation and pledge of allegiance to the flag.

Speaker was Betty Robinson who spoke about the hospital volunteer program.

President Collins stated the NARFE National Convention to be in Reno Nevada. We do not have any delegates attending from our chapter and neither do we have a proxy assigned.

President Collins stated the National Convention Resolutions book has been received including the 3 resolutions recommended by the NEB. Optional Chapter Membership, One Member One Vote and Authorizing the NEB to adjust dues one time in a 2 year period as much as 10 percent.

President Collins stated national officers running for office President Richard Thissen and Secretary/Treasurer Jon Dowie are unopposed as of now. Bill Shackelford Region X Vice President is also unopposed.

President Collins stated the COLA report for the month of June showed an increase of .37 percent in the CPI. That makes the index for the year so far.46 percent towards a COLA in January 2017. The index has increased for the past 4 months. There are 3 months left in this year.

Treasurer's Report: Treasurer Myrna Estes stated for the month of June dues received were \$119.76 and a balance of \$2228.14.

Membership Report: Bishop Holliman and his wife transferred to another chapter. One member renewed. Second dues notices were sent to Alan Galloway and Rural Peace. Waymon Roberts was dropped for non-renewal. We are still waiting on some members to renew: James Clay, Pat Tatum, and Robert Whiteman.

President Collins stated don't forget about the Federation Membership Incentive: from now to the end of the year receive \$10 per new member.

Legislative Report: Dan Hilton updated members on 2 bills: The Postal Reform Act, and The WEP Reform. There is an Open Season for the Federal Life Insurance Plans. He stated the NARFE toll free number to contact members of Congress is 866 220 0044.

Alzheimer's Report: A collection was taken for Alzheimer's in the amount of \$21.

Sunshine Report: Eula Brown died June 8th.

Announcements: The next regular meeting will be August 16, 2016.

Submitted by: Reba Collins Chapter Secretary