

GENESEE COUNTY ASSOCIATION OF CLERKS AND TREASURERS
JANUARY 2, 1990, 12:00 P.M.

ATTENDANCE: 37

This meeting was called to order by President, Don Becker at 12:45 P.M.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Mr. Becker gave a brief overview of the future programs at our regular meetings.

In February the Equalization Department will be here to discuss the letter received by the municipalities in regards to the computer problems and in March, Sheriff Joe Wilson will be the guest speaker.

A notice will go out as to where the next MTA Meeting will be held.

There will be a Governmental Clerk's Meeting held on January 16, 1991 at 10:00 a.m. at Burton Police/Fire Administration Building. Please bring a dish to pass for the luncheon immediately following.

Doris Carpenter said LaVerne Eubanks would give a report from her Committee concerning the Treasurer's problems.

GUEST SPEAKERS: Officer Dale Miller, Davison Township Police Department and Officer Barry Burghdorf, City of Davison Police Department.

Janet Johnston introduced the two Officers from the D.A.R.E. Program (Drug Abuse Resistance Education). She said the program was started in California in 1983.

Officer Dale Miller explained that the program was presented to him in May of 1990. D.A.R.E. is a cooperative effort between law enforcement agencies, schools and parents. The Officers have not been placed in the schools to spy on the students, but is a preventative type program. There are lesson plans for

K through 8 but we focus on the 5th and 6th graders. There are 17 lesson plans and they run 45 to 60 minutes each. The educators have to squeeze the lessons in somewhere throughout the day. The State Police is in charge of this program running smoothly. Officer Miller gave a brief background of the beginning of this program and said it now exists in all 50 states and in some foreign countries. There have been many organizations which have contributed to the program and given their support. The next school for D.A.R.E. will be held this

summer and there should be approximately 300 Officers throughout the State attending this school. The Officer must be very dedicated to the program to make it a success. The long term goals are to reduce the supplies of substance abuse by reducing the demand. This program has projected positive feelings with

the Officers and the students. After the first few weeks the students get to know the officers and find that we are real people. The end result is the overall reduction of crime.

Officer Barry Burghdorf stated the national average drug users are 8 year old children. Officer Burghdorf explained the first visit in the classroom the

officer is in full uniform with weapon. The next week they are in plain clothes because we don't want the uniform to distract the children from the lessons. Some of the lesson plans discussed are as follows: Use of drugs and the consequences of using the drugs; Different ways to say NO to drugs;

Building self-esteem; Being assertive and letting the children know they have rights also. There are many different techniques in teaching the children and reaching out to them.

Officer Burghdorf then asked for questions from the floor. Questions asked included the cost of the program; support groups who are involved; who funds the program, etc.

Officer Miller said this class is the most stressfull school he has been involved in since the Officer's School he attended. Any officer who is interested in getting involved in the D.A.R.E. Program, must be willing to give 110% of himself.

Mr. Becker thanked Officers Miller and Burghdorf for their presentation.

Mr. Becker also announced that following the adjournment, there would be a five (5) minute recess and then the meeting for the Treasurer's would be held and LaVerne Eubanks would be giving a presentation. Anyone interested was welcome to attend.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:30 P.M. by Mr. Becker.

Respectfully Submitted,

Cheryl M. Ladd, CMC
Secretary/Treasurer

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FINANCIAL STATEMENT:

Beginning Balance 1-02-91	\$51.10
Dues from January Mtg.	+24.00
Guest Speaker Lunches (3)	-16.50
Postage for February Mtg.	-12.25
Ending Balance 1-31-91	\$46.35