



## Northwest Suburban Unit 90 Minutes

---

**Wednesday, February 2, 2022 at 10:00 am - Zoom Meeting**

---

Meeting called to order by Jane McCauley at 10:04 am

**Attendance:** Mark Boumstein, Marna Boumstein, Janice Calvey, Rich Chierico, Karl Gabbey, Bob Kaplan, Bernie Kameneer, Bob Lyons, Jane McCauley, Janette Wanner, Carolyn White, Liz White

- 1. Minutes** (*Carolyn White - acting Secretary*) January 5, 2022 Minutes were approved.
- 2. Treasurer's Report** (*Reinhard Taylor*) The Treasurer's Report was approved.
- 3. President's Report** (*Jane McCauley*) After being presented to the membership, another vote was taken to accept the slate of candidates as presented. They were approved.

There are applications for teacher grants from our region available. See details at <https://www.irtaonline.org/index.php/foundation/Grants>

Reminder about the IRTA lawsuit reducing the state's payments to retiree health insurance.

The IRTA Foundation is looking for a representative from Area 2.

- 4. Unit 90 Events for 2022** (*Liz White*) None scheduled at this time.  
Possible upcoming events were discussed. We may schedule a date to volunteer at *Feed My Starving Children* or helping with outside work at Spring Valley. There is a possibility of either a spring luncheon and/or a fall legislative candidate breakfast at Inverness Golf Club.  
The Area 2 meeting will be on June 9.

### 5. Committee Reports

**Membership:** (*Janette Wanner*) There are currently 664 Unit 90 members; 51 of those have memberships that expired at the end of 2021 and have not yet renewed.

**Foundation:** (*Diane Pfister*) -No new donations.

**Member Benefits:** (*Rich Chierico, Janice Calvey*) Nothing new to report.

**Communications/Website:** (*Reinhard Taylor*) Mailed out renewal notices and info about the health insurance lawsuit. The website is up to date.

**Volunteer Services:** (*Carolyn White*) Will try to schedule an event.

**Newsletter:** (*Jane McCauley*) The deadline for submissions for our March newsletter is February 21.

**Legislative:** (*Karl-Heinz Gabbey*) *K Karl reported on the lawsuit filed by IRTA against the State of Illinois and associated parties, citing the Pension Protection Clause of the Illinois Constitution. Reduced contributions from the State to the TRAIL/TRIP insurance fund risks a diminution of benefits, which is unconstitutional.*

**TRS:** (*Bob Lyons*) Will have report in next newsletter..

**Other:** The application to be a Unit of Distinction is due later this month. We have reached 19 of the parameters; 18 are needed to be considered for the award.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:18 am.

**Meeting Schedule for 2022:** First Wednesday of each month (except July and December).  
Newsletters in March, May, August and November

**Next Meeting on March 2, 2022**

Carolyn White, acting Secretary