



## Northwest Suburban Unit 90 Minutes

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**Wednesday, April 6, 2022 at 10:00 am - Arlington Heights Senior Center**

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Meeting called to order by Jane McCauley at 10:07 am

**Attendance:** Janice Calvey, Richard Chierico, Frank Compton, Karl Gabbey, Gerie Kay, Robert Lyons, Jane McCauley, Linda Wallin, Carolyn White

- 1. Minutes** (*Geri Kay*) March 2, 2022 Minutes were approved.
- 2. Treasurer's Report** (*Reinhard Taylor*) Treasurers report was approved. Copies of March 2022 were reviewed.
- 3. President's Report** (*Bob Lyons-Vice President*) The proposed date for our Legislative Breakfast is September 7, 2022. We will consider the use of the funds (\$250) we received as *Unit of Distinction* at our next meeting.
- 4. Unit 90 Events for 2022** (*Liz White*) No report

### 5. Committee Reports

**Membership:** (*Janette Wanner*) We currently have 669 active members. 237 are Life members (14 of those are 90 years or older) and 589 are also State IRTA members. 616 members use email and 53 use USPS. 42 have memberships that expired at the end of 2021 and have not yet renewed. They will now be taken off active status.

**Foundation:** (*Diane Pfister*) -Recently deceased Unit 90 Members: Terry Powroznyk. A card have been sent to the family and a donation has been sent to the IRTA Foundation.

**Member Benefits:** (*Rich Chierico, Janice Calvey*) Rich presented ideas to interest new members and recent members that have not renewed their membership. He passed out copies of *Ask What the Illinois Teachers Association (IRTA) Has Done For You?* and *Major Legislative Accomplishments that the IRTA Actively Supported.*

It was suggested that one of these be sent to all members. Discussion followed with many good ideas. It was decided that items from these two documents be entered, a few at a time, in the upcoming Newsletter. Board members will also enter items on Facebook and Instagram. Linda Wallin has volunteered to post on Facebook. Karl has agreed to investigate placing an ad on WCPT 820am radio.

**Communications/Website:** (*Reinhard Taylor*) The new directory is available. Check your email.

**Volunteer Services:** (*Carolyn White*) Unit 90 volunteers are needed for *Feed My Starving Children* 9 am-10:45 am on April 20,2022. We have reserved 20 spaces. As of this meeting we have 17 confirmed volunteers.

**Newsletter:** (*Jane McCauley*) The deadline for information for our next newsletter is April 25, 2022. If you have any ideas or articles for our newsletter, send them to Jane or Reinhard.

**Legislative:** (*Karl-Heinz Gabbey*) A bill is in process to allow retired teachers to substitute 120 - 140 days without losing pension benefits.

**TRS:** (*Bob Lyons*) Bob presented information about our defined benefit pension and social security benefits.

**Job Description Committee** (*Reinhard Taylor, Bob Lyons, Jane McCauley, Janice Calvey, Bob Kaplan*) This committee has prepared lists which explain the duties of all IRTA Unit 90 Board member positions. At the March meeting lists were distributed to all current board members with said position to review. Please send your suggestions to the committee.

**Other Business/Concerns:** Mark Boumstein suggested the following resolution to the Board. All were in agreement.

***IRTA Unit 90 supports the people of Ukraine in their fight for freedom***

Rather than using Unit 90 money, individuals may contribute on their own.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:10 am.

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

**Next Meeting on May 4, 2022 10:00 am at Arlington Heights Senior Center**