



Northwest Suburban Unit 90 Minutes

Wednesday, August 2, 2023 at 10:00 am - at Arlington Heights Senior Center

Attendance: Mark Boumstein, Marna Boumstein, Janice Calvey, Rich Chierico, Louise Finton, Karl Gabbey, Bob Kaplan, Rainy Kaplan, Gerie Kay, Bob Lyons, Jane McCauley, Diane Pfister, Barbara Riske, Reinhard Taylor, Linda Wallin, and Carolyn White

1. Minutes (*Gerie Kay*) June 16, 2023 Minutes were approved.

2. Treasurer's Report (*Reinhard Taylor*) The Treasurer's Report was approved. Discussion about the \$15,000 CD at Chase Bank. This CD expires on August 18. It was moved and seconded that we renew the CD with an interest of about 4% and continue with Chase Bank. The motion was approved.

3. President's Report (*Jane McCauley*) The IRTA Convention will be in October 2023 at the Crown Plaza Springfield. Reservations and registration should be arranged by individuals planning to attend. Ten members have indicated an interest in attending. For more information go to the IRTA Unit 90 website. The deadline for our block of hotel rooms is September 22nd. The Unit Honoree Program began in 2007. Every 2 years each unit may nominate an honoree to be recognized at the State Convention. After considering the suggestions and reviewing previous Unit 90 Honorees, a motion was moved, seconded and approved that Liz White be the Unit 90 Honoree for 2023. Unit 90 has 54 delegates allowed for the IRTA Convention. Deadline to register is Sept 7. Meals and registration are covered by the Unit. Hotel cost is on your own. Room price is \$112 + tax. Mention IRTA convention when making reservations. Group Code R9I (I as in ice). Phone 1.800.589.2769

4. Unit 90 Events for 2023 (*Linda Wagner*) At our September Board Meeting at the Arlington Heights Senior Center we'll be welcoming newly retired and other retired members to join us for a breakfast. An RSVP will be requested. Linda Wallin will help with the refreshments.

Our 2023 Holiday Luncheon for Unit 90 will be held on Thursday, December 7 at the Inverness Golf Club. The reservations deadline will be Monday, November 27.

5. Committee Reports

Membership: (*Janette Wanner*) We currently have 583 members active in Unit 90 and 518 of those are also members of the state IRTA.

Foundation/Scholarships: (*Diane Pfister*) -A letter was received and is on file from IRTPAC (Illinois Retired Teachers Political Action Committee) thanking our Unit for a \$171 donation.

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

Communications/Website: (*Reinhard Taylor*) Our August newsletter will be mailed shortly. Website is up to date.

Volunteer Services: (*Carolyn White*) FMSC considered for an upcoming activity. See the August newsletter (p. 4) for volunteer opportunities.

Newsletter: (*Jane McCauley*) Our next Newsletter is planned for November.

Media: (*Linda Wallin*) Linda shared the video she created for our Facebook page and encouraged others to do so. The topic is [Why I Joined IRTA.](#)

Legislative: (*Karl-Heinz Gabbey*) A House hearing will be held Oct. 24 and 26 to discuss pension reform, unfunded liability, and Tier 2 and Tier 3 issues.

TRS: (*Bob Lyons*) .. Be cautious about spam in all forms. See details about a recent attempt Bob received on Facebook in our August Newsletter (p.2).

Other: Rich presented the following information and suggested this be in our November newsletter. This was found in the trsil.org Summer Newsletter."In fiscal year 2024, TRS will pay more than \$7.6 billion in benefits on time and in full to more than 128,000 members and their families. At the end of March 2023, TRS held \$64.8 billion in assets. At the beginning of 2023, the System held \$63.3 billion in assets

Discussion about Convention Fees concluded with the following motion:

It was moved that Unit 90 will reimburse one night's hotel fee plus tax at the Crown Plaza, Springfield, Illinois for those attending the IRTA State Convention on Monday, October 16, 2023. The motion was seconded and approved. There were 9 in favor, 5 opposed, 2 abstained.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:10 pm.

Meeting Schedule for 2023: First Wednesday of each month (except July and December).
Newsletters in March, May, August and November

Next Meeting on September 6, 2023 at the Arlington Heights Senior Center