

**NORTHWEST SUBURBAN UNIT 90 of IRTA
MINUTES OF EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING**

January 7, 2015 10:00 am
SUBMITTED BY LINDA WALLIN

Attendance:

Dave Buchheit, Rich Chierico, Barb DiGaudio, Bob Ferguson, Karl Gabbey,
Bob Kaplan, Jane McCauley, Sandy Ratter, Reinhard Taylor, Linda Wallin,
Carolyn White, Liz White

1. Approval of Minutes (Linda Wallin)

Minutes from 11/5/15 approved with corrections.

2. Treasurer's Report (Sandy Ratter)

Treasurers report approved. In the future the report will include beginning and ending balances.

3. President's Report (Bob Kaplan)

1. Holiday luncheon was enjoyed by all.
2. Trip to Tommy was cancelled. A possible replacement trip might be a Macy's Tour on April 29th or May 6th depending on availability. May include Flower Show, earliest time is 10:15, lunch at Manny's. A decision was tabled till next meeting.
3. Area 2 Conference Planning Meeting, March 16th, Randall Oaks Country Club
4. Pinkerton Trip, annual trip in Spain, Colette, November 5-17, 2015, travel opportunity
5. Summer luncheon, possible speaker Cynthia T. O'Neill. We will pay expenses, member benefits rep wants to speak as well. Date will be set next month.
6. Newsletter: Cost for color pages 50 cents. Won't do that again. Monitor costs and think about choices.
7. New retirees, will discuss in February.

4. Unit 90 Events for 2015

Tommy

Canceled due to lack of response.

Area 2 Conference

March 16, 2015 Marti Swanson is in charge, lots of good speakers, \$15 per attendee, same place, let Bob know if you want to be at special table.

Summer Luncheon tbd

Newbee Breakfast

September

Day at the Races

At Arlington Park, September 17, 2015, menu chosen; go back to usual activity; guarantee 20 people.

IRTA State Convention

October 26-7, 2015

Fall TRS Meetings, no report

Holiday Luncheon, no report

5. Committee reports

1) Membership (Bobby Reinhardt)

180 members have not renewed

2) Foundation/Scholarship (Doris Haack)

No report Info available at state web site

3) Member Benefits (Rich Chierico)

AMBA reps will make a presentation about benefits including Long Term Care/Transcare Policy and Cancer Policy, 1200 new IRTA members.

4) Communications/Web Site/Information Services (Reinhard Taylor)

Attended strategic planning meeting Dec. 2 in Springfield. Trying very hard to increase state membership to 40,000. Units may not be helping enough. Presently 36,100 members at the state level. Suggestion that we market to spouses. Push spouses for lifetime associate membership at \$125. Need for more money for legal defense fund

5) Volunteer Services (Carolyn White)

No report

7) Newsletter Coordinator (Len Kortekaas)

Articles due by Feb. 22, 2015 (no color)

8) Legislative (Bob Lyons, Jesse Macro)

Fred K. (North Lakeshore) has taken Jesse's seat on the Springfield Legislative Committee. Bob is on nominations Committee.

No meeting in July or December, meetings this year are 2/4, 3/4 (mailing), 4/1, 5/6 (mailing), 6/3, 8/5 (mailing), 9/2 (breakfast meeting - Room 183A), 10/7, 11/4 (mailing).
Next meeting room 172, Arlington Heights Senior Center.