

NORTHWEST SUBURBAN UNIT 90 of IRTA MINUTES OF EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING

May 4, 2016 10:00 am

Submitted by Linda Wallin

Attendance:

Rich Chierico, Frank Compton, Bob Ferguson, Doris Haack, Bob Kaplan, Jane McCauley, Sandy Ratter, Bobby Reinhardt, Liz White, Karl-Heinz Gabbey, Pat Kirchherr, Bill Kirchherr, Bob Lyons, Herb Rangl, Barb DiGaudio, Fred Klonsky, Len Kortekaas, Linda Wagner, Linda Wallin, Dave Buchheit

1. Approval of Minutes (Linda Wallin)

Corrected Minutes from 4/6/16 (approved)

2. Treasurer's Report (Sandy Ratter)

Treasurers report moved by (approved)

3. President's Report (Bob Kaplan)

1. Liz described parking issues from Paramount trip

2. Klonsky: State legislative committee, meets twice a year, bills presented by lobbyists, main fight is over budget, revenue, 1800 state members, only 9% take automatic dollar deduction, total of PAC is only \$100,000. One donor gave one representative candidate \$165K. Rich wants to put a committee together to communicate with members about importance of PAC. Bob Kaplan reminded group that it is better to encourage rather than mandate.

3. ICL Presentation, Institute for Continued Learning, senior adult education program. Andrea Zitlow spoke.

4. Inquiry into Hamilton found tickets to be \$426, so not going to follow up (Liz White)

5. Tall Ship Windy part 2: another group had problems with trip last year. Evening sail 7:15, boarding at 7. Not especially accessible. Tickets \$30, but with 50 people, \$22.40 each. Buses are available. Waiting to hear about what ifs - weather, later in year. Vote: contract for 56 tickets moved by Liz, Bob Lyons seconded. Passed unanimously. July 20, 2016. Also charge of \$50 moved by Liz, seconded by Rich, passed. Cruise lasts 75 minutes. Back by 8:30. To allow time for traffic and supper at Manny's, will probably leave early afternoon.

6. Bob Lyons: State skipped November payment. Mid-April gave us regular payment and Late April gave us skipped payment. No Republicans will vote, Democrats didn't have enough votes. Freshman Dem. Rep. Gazzardi, said don't necessarily have to wait until after November election. Structured vote: Madigan doesn't want Democrats to be blamed for tax increase. Thirty Dems and Reps. with safest seats will pass increase up to 4.75%. If Trump is elected, may not be 30 safe Reps. Rank and file want to act, but legislation is leadership driven.

7. Unit 90 Events for 2016:

Newbee Breakfast will be September 7 at Arlington Heights Senior Center.

Legislative Breakfast will be October 4, at Inverness Golf Club.

Holiday Luncheon is scheduled for December 2nd, at Inverness Golf Club.

8. Fall TRS Meetings

Dates have yet to be determined

9. Committee Reports

- a. Membership (Bobby Reinhardt) 109 not renewed
- b. Foundation/Scholarship (Doris Haack)
IRTA Foundation 15000 Grant money available for teachers preK-12 in Area II due by September 7th.
- c. Member Benefits (Rich Chierico) brief comments
- d. Communications/Web Site/Information Services (Reinhard Taylor)
all units in Area have websites looking for improvements on state site.
- e. Volunteer Services (Carolyn White)
- f. Newsletter Coordinator (Jane McCauley)

Meetings this year: No meeting in July or December, meetings this year are 6/1, 8/3 (mailing), 9/7 (breakfast meeting - Room 183A), 10/5, 11/2 (mailing).

Next meeting June 1, 2016 in room 172, Arlington Heights Senior Center.