



## Northwest Suburban Unit 90 Minutes

**Wednesday, April 1, 2020 at 10:00 am - Zoom Meeting**

**Attendance:** Jane McCauley, Bob Lyons, Bob Kaplan, Reinhard Taylor, Carolyn White, Liz White, Linda Wallin, Marna Boumstein, Mark Boumstein, Janice Calvey, Katherine Philippe, Linda Wagner, Karl-Heinz Gabbey

**1. Minutes** (Linda Wallin) from March 4, 2020 were approved.

**2. Treasurer's Report** ( Sandy Ratter) was approved.

**3. President's Report** ( Jane McCauley)

1. Constitution: Bob explained some corrections.
2. Dues payment online: Reinhard is checking on the possibility of using Stripe.
3. Luncheon: Liz still hopes we will be able to meet. We will have to let members know that it's on and what the choices are. We will need to know by the end of April. Members expressed feelings that a June date is unreasonable. We will plan it for July and discuss it at our next meeting.
4. Area Conference: All area conferences have been cancelled. This has been reflected on our web site.
5. Area Benefits person: Janice Calvey asked members to go to [irtaonline.org](http://irtaonline.org) and look at members only information. You can send an email to a link on the page if you have a question.

### **4. Unit 90 Schedule for 2020**

New member breakfast, September 2

Legislative breakfast, October 9

December luncheon December 4

### **5. Committee Reports**

Membership: (Janette Wanner) One newly retired person joined for free this month.

Information Services: (Reinhard Taylor) Each unit can have a logo similar to the state logo. is The new Information Services Committee's website: [irta-infoservices.weebly.com](http://irta-infoservices.weebly.com)

Volunteer Services: (Carolyn White) No report

Foundation: (Doris Haack). No report

Newsletter: (Jane McCauley). Deadline for submission is April 30.

Legislative: (Karl-Heinz Gabbey). Nothing is going on in Springfield

TRS: (Bob Lyons). Discussed the State's accelerated pension payments. Why would somebody give up money long-term for the immediate? Either they are going to die or they need the money for something right now or they think the system will collapse. 604 of the 3775 members who retired in 2019 have taken the buyout.

## **6. Miscellaneous**

Linda Wagner said Arlington Race Track hopes to be opening eventually, although they are looking at closing permanently.

Bob Kaplan said that the deadline for education grants for current teachers have been moved to October

**Meeting Schedule for 2020:** 2/5, 3/4 (Newsletter), 4/1, 5/6 (Newsletter), 6/3, 8/4 (Newsletter), 9/2, 10/7 and 11/4 (Newsletter). **No meetings in July and December**