



Northwest Suburban Unit 90 Minutes

Wednesday, June 4, 2025 at 10:00 am - at Arlington Heights Senior Center

Meeting was called to order by Mark Boumstein at 10:03 am

Attendance: Mark Boumstein, Marna Boumstein, John Braglia, Janice Calvey, Rich Chierico, Karl Gabbey, Rainy Kaplan, Bob Kaplan, Gerie Kay, Bob Lyons, Jane McCauley, Diane Pfister, Reinhard Taylor, Linda Wagner, Linda Wallin, Carolyn White, Ken Wolin, Wendy Wieggers

Guests Mary Jo Coleman (Area 2 Scholarship Recipient) and her parents

1. Minutes (*Gerie Kay*) The minutes from May 7, 2025 were approved.

2. Treasurer's Report (*Reinhard Taylor*) The Treasurer's report from May 7, was approved.

3. President's Report (*Mark Boumstein*) Our Area 2 scholarship recipient is Mary Jo Coleman.

Mary Jo and her parents were introduced and she was presented with her check. Mary Jo will be attending Illinois State University.

The Unit of Distinction Award has been revised. We went through all the questions on the form and discussed ideas for answers. This form is due by December and is completed by the Unit President.

Wendy Wieggers provided copies of an informational flyer about the IRTA 2025 Convention, which included dates, locations meal prices, speakers, entertainment, Foundation Raffle, and the IRTA PAC Fund Raiser.

The following **motion** was made, seconded and approved: Any member of Unit 90 who attends the 2025 Biennial IRTA Convention in Springfield will be reimbursed from the Unit 90 treasury for the cost of registration (\$45) and for the cost of the Monday night dinner banquet (\$40).

The following are now available for the Illinois Retired Teachers Association Biennial Convention 2025: Registration (www.irtaonline.org), Room reservations (Springfield Crown Plaza 217-529-777), Cost of meals and raffle tickets(<https://members.irtaonline.org>)

4. Unit 90 Events for 2025 (*Linda Wagner*) Tickets are still available for the Boomers Baseball game at Wintrust Field in Schaumburg, July 6, 2025. Currently there are 45 members attending. Tickets are \$30 per ticket and includes \$20 for food and drink. Arrive at 12:30 pm. See Linda for tickets when you arrive.

The cruise on Lake Geneva including a Luau Lunch will be on Thursday, August 7, 2025. Our New Member Breakfast will be September 3 at 9am at the Arlington Heights Senior Center. Jane McCauley will arrange for the breakfast.

5. Committee Reports

Membership: (*Janette Wanner*) Currently we have 537 members in Unit 90 and 469 of those are also state members. We have 254 Life members.

Foundation/Scholarships: (*Diane Pfister*) No report of member deaths. See *Foundation News* on page 5 of our recent Newsletter (May 7, 2025).

Member Benefits: (*Rich Chierico, Janice Calvey*) No report

Communications/Website: (*Reinhard Taylor*) No report

Volunteer Services: (*Carolyn White*) Dates for volunteer activities: **FMSC** September 17, 9-11 am (740 Wiley Farm Court, Schaumburg)

Kids Above All - (1801 E Oakton, DesPlaines)
July 30, 10 am - 12pm) Pack Back-to-School backpacks

Newsletter: (*Jane McCauley*) Our next Newsletter is August 6. Deadline for submissions is July 31.

Legislative: (*Karl-Heinz Gabbey*) Spring Veto Session

HB1226 Road Safety & Fairness raises the age at which drivers must take an annual behind-the-wheel test from 79 to 87. Those not needing to take a driving test still must do the vision and hearing tests.

TRS: (*Bob Lyons, Rainy Kaplan*) Tier II is still not fixed.

Media: (*Linda Wallin*) Our Facebook has 6% more views, 42 followers, 28 fewer people. zero new people. Our goal is to have 100 new people.

Constitution: (*Bob Kaplan*) Copies of the *Constitution and By Laws* dated 6/4/25 were passed out.. We will vote in August to approve our current *Constitution and Amendments*. See Article XI ---Amendments Constitution and by laws.(Printed in red on last page) . There have been some changes- see amendments.

Other Business: Please note the Area 2 Virtual conference is **September 16, 2025**.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:00 pm.

Meeting Schedule for 2025: First Wednesday of each month (except July and December).
Newsletters in February, May, August and November

Next Meeting on August 6, 2025 at the Arlington Heights Senior Center