



## Northwest Suburban Unit 90 Minutes

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**Wednesday, June 3, 2026 at 10:00 am - at Arlington Heights Senior Center**

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### **Meeting was called to order by-President Diane Pfister at 10:00 am**

**Attendance:** Janice Calvey, Richard Chierico, Louise Finton, Karl Gabbey, Bob Kaplan, Rainy Kaplan, Gerie Kay, Jane McCauley, Diane Pfister, Reinhard Taylor, Linda Wagner, Janette Wanner, and Carolyn White

- 1. Secretary's Report** (*Gerie Kay*) The minutes from May 6, 2026 were approved.
- 2. Treasurer's Report** (*Reinhard Taylor*) The Treasurer's report from May was approved.
- 3. President's Report** (*Diane Pfister*) IRTA Virtual Conferences are open to members in all areas.  
Areas 3 & 4 July 14, 2026 @ 9: 30am IRTA Advocacy & Governmental Relations  
Areas 5 & 6 October 29, 2026 @ 9:30 am; Tools You Can Use: IRTA, Community & Government Resources
- 4. Vice-President's Report** (*Janice Calvey*) No report
- 5. Events Coordinator** (*Linda Wagner*)
  - June 19, 2026** At 11:am Spring Luncheon \$47 at Inverness Golf Club.  
Entertainment: Steel Drums (\$300) and free speech by Rich Chierico.
  - July 12, 2026** Boomers Game (\$30)
  - September 24, 2026** Legislative Luncheon at Moretti's in Hoffman Estates, IL in their separate building. Invitations will indicate "Legislator + one staff". Others pay \$40 for the buffet.
  - Wednesday, September 30, 2026** Buddy Holly Show, Drury Lane  
\$95 per person including lunch
  - December 3, 2026** Holiday Luncheon at Moretti's party room in Hoffman Estates  
A motion to use Moretti's instead of Inverness Golf Club was approved.

### **6. Committee Reports**

**Membership:** (*Janette Wanner*) Total Membership is 520.  
In 2018 it was 891 and in 2024 it was 529.

**Membership Recruitment:** (*John Braglia*) Absent.

**Foundation/Scholarships:** (*Louise Finton*) Bob Lyons died May, 2026, District 211 – Unit 90 IRTA board member; Jim Swift died-May 5, 2026, District 211; Cheryle Wilcox – died Feb.21, 2026 District 211; Charles-(Bud) Mueller died-May 1, 2026 District 211

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

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

**Volunteer Services:** (*Carolyn White*)

**Kids Above All Baby Bundles** May 20 ,2026 was canceled due to no power at the site. Rescheduled for January 23 or 25.

**KIDS Above All Backpacks** July 15 , 2026

**Feed My Starving Children** Wednesday September 16 - 9 to 11am.

**Newsletter:** (*Jane McCauley*) The next Newsletter is in August. The deadline is July 27.

**Legislative:** (*Karl-Heinz Gabbey*) "Monday, June 1, the Illinois General Assembly adjourned until November 17, 2016. Reviewing the entire two-year General Assembly cycle that started in January of 2025, a total of 10,008 bills were introduced. 70% of these were sponsored by a Democrat. Only 395 bills passed both chambers." It was the budget that IRTA expected and supported with the included TRS and TRIP/TRAIL funding that is important to IRTA members. IRTA did not see the progress we had hoped for in meaningful Tier 2 benefit enhancements." Other bills passed: Fy27 Budget, HB111, FY27

**TRS Update:** (*Rainy Kaplan*) No report

**Facebook Coordinator:** (*Linda Wallin*) Continue to send announcements and pictures to Linda for posting.

**Constitution/ Bylaws:** (Bob Kaplan) No report

**Other Business:**

The meeting was adjourned at 11:15 am.

**Meeting Schedule for 2026:** First Wednesday of each month (except July and December).  
Newsletters in February, May, August and November

**Next Meeting on August 5, 2026 at the Arlington Heights Senior Center (no July meeting)**