NORTHWEST SUBURBAN UNIT90-IRTA MINUTES OF EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING

March 9, 2010 SUBMITTED BY FRANK COMPTON

Present: Frank Compton, Bob Lyons, Reinhard Taylor, Len Kortekaas, Bob Ferguson, Jesse Macro, Doris Haack, Bobby Reinhardt, Liz White, Bill McCauley, Carolyn White, Roger Steingraber

- 1) Treasurer's Report (Bob Ferguson)
- 2) President's Report (Len Kortekaas)
 Len had little to report except to urge all to help in the mailing.

3) Unit 90 Schedule for 2010 (Len Kortekaas)

Our first event is the Spring Tour which will take place on both April 15 and April 28 and cover the North Shore of Chicago. The deposits for the buses are done. We should have a good turnout with lunch at the Celtic Knot. The cost will be \$50.00 per person. Len is in charge. Next we have the Area 2 Conference at Randall Oakes on April 5. Again, Len is in charge and has sent out registration information by e-mail. The deadline to sign up is March 20. The Summer Luncheon follows on June 22 at the Rolling Green Country Club on 2525 West Rand Road. The menu will include soup, entrees of roast beef, salmon salad or chicken cordon blue with chocolate brownies for dessert. There will be a cash bar with a cost of \$24.00 per person. The Whites are the coordinators and may arrange a slide show. Next is the Day at the Races, but with Rich Chierico not here, we will cover this event in April. The Newbee Breakfast follows on September 8 at the Arlington Heights Senior Center. With the Whites in charge, everything is set. Next will be the Legislative Breakfast on October 6 at the Inverness Golf Club coordinated by the Whites and Bob Lyons. We will take the same approach as before. Bob will contact the legislators. The final event of the year is the Holiday Luncheon. After some discussion about location and date, a motion was made by Reinhard Taylor, seconded by Doris Haack ,to book the Wellington for December 9. This motion passed. The Whites will be in charge. Liz White will contact Barrington High School's Madrigal Singers to provide entertainment. The bus for the group will cost \$250.00.

4) IRTA Region 3 Reports (Jesse Macro)

Jesse handed out the minutes of the February 11, 2010 meeting. The next meeting is this coming Thursday. Also Jesse handed out a copy of the proposed questionnaire for State Office candidates. Jim Bachman felt that local meetings with legislators would be more effective than a large group going to Springfield to lobby. The IRTA Office would facilitate this. A small group would go to Springfield and be helped on how to approach legislators. Reinhard Taylor will go to the meeting of the Information Services on March 30.

5) Membership Drive

List of retirees in District 214 is in; 207 is being worked on; 220 is done. District 54 is being worked on as is 15. Dist. 59 is still open. The Whites will work on sending out a letter to all districts for retirees.

6) Committee Reports

Membership (Bobby Reinhardt)

There are 211 who need to renew their membership. We have 326 members who want the Newsletter via e-mail. If all renew, we have a total of 1043 members.

Foundation (Doris Haack)

Donations were made to the Foundation in memory of Caroll E. Werner, Ruth Fruin, Robert B. Ferguson, and Larry Schroeder.

Legislative (Bob Lyons)

Bob feels the big thing is Quinn's budget address. What will be said on pensions is not known. 4.5 billion is owed for all pensions for fiscal year 2011. Also Bob thinks that the 2-tier pension system might pass . Finally there is the problem of redistricting. A proposed amendment was introduced to have a group outside the political parties to do the actual redistricting.

7) Miscellaneous

Meeting Schedule for 2010: Wed 1/6, Tues 2/9, Tues 3/9, Wed 4/7, Wed 5/5, Wed 6/2, Wed 8/4, Wed 9/8, Wed 10/6, Wed 11/3

NEXT MEETING: WEDNESDAY, APRIL 7, 2010