

**NORTHWEST SUBURBAN UNIT90-IRTA**  
**MINUTES OF EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING**

August 3, 2011

SUBMITTED BY FRANK COMPTON

**Present:** Frank Compton, Len Kortekaas, Liz White, Doris Haack, Rich Chierico, Denise Florczak, Bob Ferguson, Reinhard Taylor, Jesse Macro, Bill McCauley

**Guests:** Rich O'Brien, Bob Kaplan, Bob Given, Jerry Palmer, Dave Buchheit

**1) Treasurer's Report (Bob Ferguson)**

All our funds for Repac have been turned in.

**3) Presidents Report (Len Kortekaas)**

The Summer Luncheon was a great success. Liz did a terrific job, especially when we consider the different venues she has worked in. 75 people attended.

The nominations for Unit 90 Officers are complete. Len Kortekass, Liz White, and Bob Ferguson will run again for their positions as President, Vice-President and Treasurer respectively. Denise Florczak nominated Rich O'Brien for the Secretary position. This nomination was seconded by Liz White and passed. We have a full slate of nominations for the coming year. Thanks to Rich for coming forward!

**3) Unit 90 Schedule for 2011 (Len Kortekaas)**

Our next event is the Day at the Races on Thursday, September 15th at Arlington Park Race Track. Rich Chierico has coordinated this outing which is pretty well set. Information for those who signed up will be mailed out. We have 10 of the 16 needed for the terms of the contract.

The Newbee Breakfast follows at 9:00 am on September 7th at the Arlington Heights Senior Center. The Whites are in charge. We will probably use the same caterer. The minimum of 30 is what we need.

The dates for the TRS fall meetings have not been set. Len Kortekaas will do the one at Schaumburg while Frank Compton will cover Arlington Heights, and Rich O'Brien will be at the Barrington meeting.

The 2011 State IRTA Convention is next on October 17-18 at the Springfield Hilton Hotel in our capital. Len Kortekaas is the coordinator. We are allowed 38 delegates. Len handed out registration forms for those who plan to attend. The Unit will pay all expenses except the hotel costs. The phone numbers to call for reservations are as follows: 217-789-1530 and 1-800-445-8667. The IRTA PAC Luncheon will follow the end of the Convention. Several people have signed up for this gathering.

A trip to the Paramount Theater in Aurora is our next outing on November 16th to view "Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat." The cost will be \$50.00 per person but will not include lunch. Many places will be available for a lunch including the Hollywood Casino. The bus would leave about 10:00 am. The deadline for signing up would be November 8th. Reinhard Taylor will send out an e-mail about this trip as well as post information on the web. site

**4) Membership Drive-** 40 out of 181 have joined.

**5) Committee Reports-**

**Web Site (Reinhard Taylor)**

Reinhard renewed the contract for the web site.

**Member Benefits (Denise Florczak)**

Denise was identified as holding this position. We are happy to have her serve and will send her the minutes.

**Communications (Bill McCauley)**

Bill noted that Michelle Mussman is holding a meeting on August 11th for District 56 about legislation. Active teachers who go into the 401K programs would cut down on the contributions to the retirement funds. Rich Chierico feels the State Constitution will protect us. Bob Kaplan commented that unions and our organization will face the same challenges as we recently saw.

**Legislative (Jesse Macro)**

The August 17th Legislative Meeting was cancelled. Jesse's term on his committee will run out this fall. Finally, Jesse pointed out that a defined benefits pension system provides economic stimulus to the whole country.

**6) Miscellaneous-**

**Meeting Schedule for 2011:**

Wed. 2/2, Wed. 3/2, Wed. 4/6, Wed. 5/4, Wed. 6/1, Wed. 8/3,  
Wed. 9/7, Wed. 10/5, Wed. 11/2

**NEXT MAILING: WEDNESDAY SEPTEMBER 7, 2011**