## ILLINOIS RETIRED TEACHERS ASSOCIATION

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Northwest Suburban - Unit 90 http://www.irta-unit90.org

Minutes: 7 March 2012 submitted by Richard O'Brien

Present: Bob Ferguson, Len Kortekaas, Bob Lyons, Jesse Marco, Bobby Reinhardt, Reinhard

Taylor, Carolyn White, Liz White

Guests: Anita Smith, Sandy Ritter, Gayle Filantries, David Bucheit

1. Treasurer's Report (Bob F.)

No significant change. Refer to financial report.

2. President's Report (Len K.)

Looking to forthcoming Area 2 Conference. Refer to information below.

Doris's recovery proceeding nicely and she intends to attend Area 2 Conference.

- 3. Continued President's report relating to U90 Schedule for 2012.
- 4. Unit 90 Schedule for 2012 (Len K.)

Event: Spring Tour, Stained Glass Churches/Synagogues Tour Date: April 26th. \$50 for bus. Lunch at Mannie's (\$15ish)

Location: Chicago

Coordinator: Len Kortekaas

Event: Area 2 Conference

Date: 19 March, Monday, 9:00-1:00

Location: Randall Oaks Golf Course, 4101 Binney Road (just west of Randall Rd.), West

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Coordinator: Len Kortekaas

Event : Summer Luncheon Date : 12 June, Tuesday, 11:00 Location : Inverness Golf Club

Coordinator: Liz White

Event: Day at the Races

Date: 20 September, Wednesday. \$50.00/person

Location : Arlington Park Coordinator · Rich Chierico

Event: Newbee Breakfast

Date: 5 September, Wednesday, 9:00

Location: Rm. 183A, Arlington Heights Senior Citizen Center

Coordinator: Liz White, Carolyn White

Event: 2012 Legislative Luncheon

Date: 9 October, Tuesday,11:00 Location: Inverness Golf Club

Coordinator: Liz W.

Event: Holiday Luncheon

Date: 4 December, Tuesday, 11:00 Location: Inverness Golf Course

Coordinator: Liz White, Carolyn White

## 5. Membership Drive

Need to check on Hoffman Estates retirees (D211) and keep on top of D214 retirees. D220 retirees squared away.

## 6. Committee Reports

1) Membership (Bobby R.)

Still need to address slow responses to members and potential members to join. 180 need to renew. Two members have passed.

2) Foundation/Scholarship (Doris H.)

Absent

3) Member Benefits (Denise F.)

Continuing

4) Communications (Bill M.)

Continuing

5) Information Services (Rich C.)

Absent

6) Volunteer Services (Carolyn W.)

Continuing

7) Webmaster; (Reinhard T.)

Repeat of last meeting. Currently now 14 Units within area have websites.

Reminder: possible use of U-tube to inform and enlighten retirees.

8) Legislative (Bob L./ Jesse M.)

Bob absence (in Springfield) Jesse passed on basically same issues addressed but key focus is on placing money into IRTA PAC arena. Discussion arose about how to distribute PAC money. This was followed with State issue of taxing and pensions, I.e., taxing retirees that have pensions in excess of \$40,000.00 and the 401K issue. Adjacent to this is how Health insurance will be addressed through type of insurance. To summarized the focus on insurance and pensions it is basically the same as last reported.

- A. COLA for retired people. It is done in other states.
- B. Tax pensions and annuities. Everyone is taxed and it would go into the General Funding.
- C. Other state employees would pay more as some pay less.
- 7. Miscellaneous: Mailing took place at end of meeting.

Meeting Schedule for 2012 : Wed 3/7, Wed 4/4, Wed 5/2, Wed 6/6,

Wed 8/1, Wed 9/5, Wed 10/3, Wed 11/7

Next Meeting: Wednesday April 4, 2012