



Allegheny County

Retirees Association

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**ACRA Board of Directors Meeting
October 16, 2024
Minutes**

Call to Order 10:00 a.m.

Present: Jack Exler, Marge Lubawy, Hugh Hachmeister, Pamela Long, Kathy Burk
Donna Johnson, Cathy Thomas, Sharon Silvestri
Absent: Connie Przybyla

Review and Approval of Board Minutes of September 18, 2024

Moved to Approve: Pam Secoded: Donna

Review and Approval of Financial Report

Presented by Cathy Thomas

Moved to Approve: Marge Secoded: Donna

Invoices Paid:

Connie as reimbursement for money spent on Fun Times Event
Kreider Printing for meeting notices
Moved to Approve: Hugh Secoded: Donna

Because the October meeting notice was mailed late there may be a few people paying at the door. Hugh will deposit the check if anyone pays at the door. Last month's 50/50 winner did not receive the full prize. Since Pam will be working at the registration table, and recognizes the winner, she will pass along the remainder of the winnings, totaling 20 dollars.

Programs and Luncheons for 2025

January 2025 – No Luncheon Meeting

February 19 - Zoom meeting

February 2025 – No Luncheon Meeting

March 19, 2025 – Emergency Management Speaker will discuss information people should carry.

April 16, 2025 - Marge will call Thomas White of Duquesne University Gumberg Library. He is the author of various books about history and folklore of Western Pa.

The Iron City Tour will most likely be in April or May or August. Sharon will check on availability, accessibility, cost, etc.

Hugh mentioned Richard Gaetano can speak about traveling Route 66 across the country. Hugh will check availability for dates and times. Hugh will speak to David Vater, the manager of Chatham Village

May 21, 2025 - TBD

June 18, 2025 – Annual Picnic – Home Economics Building is a possibility that Hugh will check on

July 2025 – Pirate Game --Hugh put deposit down Pirates vs. Cardinals during the third week of July.

August 2025 – No Luncheon Meeting

September 17, 2025 – Fun Date

October 15, 2025 – Pension Fund and Medicare Updates

November 19, 2025 - TBD

December 17, 2025 – Annual Holiday Party

Marge said an investment advisor called and would like to do a program. The general opinion was that it may not be a good idea. It may seem like an endorsement, and we don't know enough about his background.

Programs and Luncheons

October 16, 2024– Pennsylvania Trolley Museum

November 20, 2024 – Pension Fund and Medicare Updates

Results of the Election of Board Members. All candidates who ran will were successful.

December 11, 2024 – Annual Holiday Party - Jack thanks everyone who is helping

New Business and General Discussion

Jack has a meeting scheduled with Walt Szymansky in early November. He will also attend the pension board meeting tomorrow.

Discussion around pension. Sustainability is ensured for us.

Membership Dues were raised two years ago from \$15 to \$20. The cost will remain at \$20.

Dues will be due in January. Hugh mentioned that funds are decreasing.

Kathy suggested that she put an article appealing to members of ACRA to take their name off the mailing list to save trees and money for ACRA

After discussion it was decided that, going forward, the board members will pay the full price of \$20 for the luncheons

Connie sent a copy of the membership renewal form. It was passed around. The due date will be January 31, 2025. Kathy will put it in the December newsletter

Motion to Adjournment: Moved to Approve: Marge Seconded: Cathy

Adjournment Time: 11:05 pm

Respectfully submitted,

Kathleen Burk

November 20, 2024