



# Allegheny County

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## Retirees Association

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ACRA Board of Directors

March 19, 2025

Meeting Minutes

Call to Order 11:00 am

Present: Jack Exler, Eric Buncher, Marge Lubawy, Hugh Hachmeister, Kathy Burk, Sharon Silvestri, Cathy Thomas, Connie Przybyla.

Absent: Donna Johnson

Review and Approval of February 27, 2025, Meeting Minutes

Pending the spelling of Christine Carragher name is to be changed in minutes the meeting minutes will be approved. Motion to Approve Cathy, Connie Seconded

Review and Approval of Financial Report

Cathy Delivered the February financial report of dues and donations

We were reimbursed by the bank for the NSF check that was written by a member

Motion to Approve Sharon, Hugh Seconded

Review and Approval of Bills to be Paid:

Cathy delivered a report of bills that are scheduled to be paid.

Kreider Printing

Postage Stamps

Quicken Membership

Reimbursement to a member for cancelled luncheon

Motion to approve Marge, Connie Seconded

2025 Membership Update:

Of the 863 members, 663 have paid their dues. 200 members have not yet paid.

Two membership letters have gone out. Cathy mentioned that a third letter had gone out last year. In preparation for a third letter, Connie will contact the print shop about the time frame for getting it mailed.

Programs and Luncheons

March 19, 2025 – EMS Presentation – David Terkel Medical Rescue Team South (MRSA)

Assignments:

Hugh will help Ed at 50-50 station. Marge and Sharon will handle registration.

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April 16, 2025 - How Investor Psychology Affects Us – Ken Kaszak

May 21, 2025 – Allegheny County's Earliest Aviation History – Sue Morris and Brian Butko.

June 18, 2025 – ACRA Annual Picnic – Home Economics Building in South Park – Hugh reported that we will once again use Market District and they will deliver. We will get the information out to the members through emails, postcards and newsletter.

July 23, 2025 – Pittsburgh Pirates vs Detroit Tigers

August 2025 – No Meeting

September 17, 2025 – The History of Chatham Village

October 15, 2025 – Retirement Board and Medicare Updates

November 19, 2025 – Legends and Lore of Western Pennsylvania – Thomas White

December 17, 2025 – The Annual ACRA Holiday Party Connie volunteered to coordinate it again.

#### New Business and General Discussion

Hugh and Sharon checked into the Pittsburgh Brewery. The largest group they will accommodate is 12. Otherwise, it is too loud. So it was deemed not feasible for our group requirements.

Connie brought up the topic of the ACRA Cookbook. She had put together a plan. All recipes must be electronically submitted. Connie will ask for their name, Department, phone number. All recipes must be in by September 1, 2025. If we follow that timeframe, they should be available for sale by mid-November, just in time for the holiday season.

Member Appreciation and other ideas: Eric suggested giving free membership for the first year. Cathy suggested that a new member joining at the end of the year be included in the next year's membership.

Reconfiguring the database requires some time intensive labor. There was discussion about ways that the database can be altered.

The group agreed that we will further discuss at the next meeting.

Connie suggested that at the appreciation luncheon we use stickers to determine winners who will receive ACRA lottery tickets. Marge suggested that it be advertised as a special event. There will be five winners. Marge suggested free lunches.

For a future luncheon Kathy talked about having high school kids coming in to help members through the technical ins and outs of their cell phones. The logistics were discussed.

All agreed that we will discuss these topics at a future meeting.

#### Adjournment:

Cathy moved to adjourn. Sharon Seconded

Meeting Adjourned at 10:27am.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathleen Burk

April 14, 2025