Williamson County Retired Teachers Association Board of Directors Meeting June 25, 2014 Held at Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, Marion, IL

**Roll Call** Present: Bob Campbell, Steve Maxwell, Anna Morris, Mary Lou Gander, Kent Carrell, Tom Oates, Don Kragness, John Harland, and Marge Mangan. Absent was Loren Taylor; prayers were requested for his wife, Gayla.

**Call to Order** There being a quorum, President Bob Campbell called the meeting to order.

**Approval of Minutes** Tom made a motion to accept the Minutes; Steve seconded. Motion passed.

**Treasurer's Report** Treasurer Don Kragness reported the balance as of June 23, 2014, was \$2,597.95. Don also stated that the books are ready to be audited. Tom Oates will audit books.

**Update membership information** Each board member present took a page from the membership list and will contact members who do not have an e-mail address. Our concentration now is to get e-mail addresses. The deadline to get this updated information to Don is July 10.

## August 14 membership meeting

Meeting will be held at the Marion Lion's Depot on Main Street at 1 P.M, with the speaker being TRS's Rich Frankenfeld. He will have a power point presentation. An ice cream social will be the refreshments for the August 14 meeting.

## Responsibilities:

Bob – to get ice cream, toppings, utensils, bowls, spoons, coffee cups, iced tea glasses. John – to get large cooler, decaf coffee, ice from church, large coffee pot, Mary Lou – iced tea Anyone/everyone – to get cookies

## Newsletter

We will be mailing newsletters only to those members not having an e-mail address. We may have to pay first class postage because of the number sent. Discussion on who will pay postage – ROE or WCRTA. Will discuss with Matt Donkin.

Deadlines for Newsletter:

July 10 - Updated membership information to Don.

July 25 – Reports to Tisch

We can get into the Depot at Noon.

Aug. 1 – John to pick up newsletters at ROE's office.

Aug. 4 - Ready to mail or e-mail (2 weeks before meeting)

**October meeting** at Johnston City. Cynthia O'Neill will be the speaker. Meeting will be on October 20, at St. Paul Parish Center in Johnston City.

**Report:** Legislation – Anna Morris reported. "TRS cut the estimated rate of return on TRS investments from 8% to 7.5%. That means that next year the State will be paying \$500 million to Teachers Pension System – up from \$3.4 billion in FY July 1. IRTA will be buying a new building in Springfield – IRTA Foundation technically will own the building.

## **Future Meetings:**

Aug. 14, 2014, Membership Meeting, Marion depot

Sept. 10, 2014, Board of Directors Meeting, Marion

Oct. 20, 2014, Membership Meeting, Johnston City

Dec. 10, 2014, Board of Directors Meeting, Marion

Marge Mangan, Secretary