President Paul Cwiklik called the meeting to order at 9:58 AM, and Judy Lynn offered the invocation and led the group in the flag pledges.

Peggy Peterson, 2nd VP/Program Chair introduced guest speaker Justin Rodriquez (District 125) also a very important member of the TRS-CARE Committee. He discussed TRS CARE and what has happened so far, which wasn't very much. He gave us names of other representatives on the board, and said more meetings will be held, but the outlook appears to be dismal. He talked about private school funding, and the Rainy-Day Fund.

Minutes of the September meeting were available for review. No changes were made, and the minutes were accepted as presented by Recording Secretary Sue Sim. Treasurer Carolyn Pfeifer went over her report that was then accepted. She reminded members that she was collecting money for the December 21 Christmas luncheon.

**Unfinished Business:** District 20's annual conference will be held in Boerne on Thursday, October 27 at 10am. Carolyn had said that 19 had signed up and paid for this event.

Nancy Black volunteered to be our third alternate for the TRTA Convention in March of 2017. Her selection was approved.

**New Business:** Elf Louise signup sheets for volunteers for the 11/17/16 gift wrapping event, along with Blue Santa on 12/11/16 were at the registrar’s table in the lobby. They are volunteer hours!!

At the book reading, 18 members met and had a good discussion. Peggy Peterson talked about the Meet-Ups and various locations where they can be held.

Barbara Rothe, Hospitality co-chair talked about the Christmas Luncheon being catered by Heavenly Gourmet. The caterer served our luncheon last year, and we gave them favorable reviews. So, they were selected for this year’s luncheon. The menu was given, and we are all looking forward to this special time that we share with members.

Carolyn Pfeiffer passed a hat for our personal contributions to the TRTA Foundation to help various groups, as this replaces scholarships due to the lack of people going into education or using the money to go into another field.

Members were reminded that early voting starts on October 24th. Get out and Vote!
MINUTES OF NSARTA MEETING OCTOBER 19, 2016

Committee Reports:

Membership: Harold Black that the NSARTA Yearbooks were mailed out. Membership is increasing, and as always, collaborating with Paul and Georgia

Programs: Peggy Peterson went over the programs for the year.

Member Benefits: Deanna Van Pelt said to always look in the back of Voice to see our benefits and that new ones are added throughout the year.

Legislation: Carlos Ortiz said we should pay special attention to SB1458.

Health Care: Eddy English handed out a health sheet on Sanitizers, Exercise, and Diet.

Stitchery Group: Ledru Barker- Pillows for the Wounded Warriors are needed.

Info/Protective Services: Elise Townsend reported about the IRS, credit cards, and computer scams.

Children's Book Drive: Nancy Dooley said to please bring books or give to the fund; donation baskets are on each table. We gave books to Passmore Elementary in NISD this past May.

Community Volunteer Services: Sue Winebrenner said that going to meetings and providing help at different agencies all count towards volunteer hours.

Announcements: 248 Members have paid their dues. Newsletter info has to be in by November 11th, so Betty Moseley can get our electronic news to us before the next meeting on the 16th. Door prizes were given out

Meeting was adjourned at 11:48am by our President Paul Cwiklik.

Submitted by

Sue Sim

Sue Sim, Recording Secretary