NSARTA APRIL 18, 2018 MINUTES

A. Call to order and welcome by Paul Cwiklik, President

1. Invocation given by Chaplin Sarah Villarreal

2. Flag pledges led by Barbara Yates for Past President Judy Lynn

3. Acknowledgments of:

   a. One new member, four visitors and forty one members in attendance.

   b. Hearts of NSARTA for April were Candido and Bertha Colunga.

   c. Registrars and Hospitality - Please sign up for the May Potluck luncheon.  
      Paul is bringing the dessert.

   d. April birthdays were celebrated with five members and photos taken.

   e. Peggy Peterson introduced Hope Robles and Ursula Bach of the Friendship Force.  
      The invitation was given to our members to investigate their club for the ability to use 
      their international resources when traveling.

B. Officer Reports:

1. Recording Secretary Judy McFeaters for Suzanne Sim distributed the March 2018 
   minutes to the group and on Page 2 F-8 delete not. Accepted with correction.

2. Treasurer Carolyn Pfeiffer presented the March report and it was accepted. She also 
   stated that we had TRTA Fiesta medals from the convention available from her as well.

3. Registrar Patricia Lowe reported the meeting attendance.

4. Corresponding Secretary Barbara Yates reported sending one card to Sandy Johns.

5. 2nd Vice President/ Program Chair Peggy Peterson reviewed coming events including a 
    vineyard trip on May 30th to include wine tasting and lunch. Sandy Oaks Orchard in 
    Elmendorf for lunch in June is in the planning. The Book Club will meet at Peggy’s 
    House on May 2nd at 1:00 for lunch. Sign up for Independence Hill tour as well.

6. 1st Vice President/Membership Chair reminded everyone to pay their dues as early as 
    possible. Presently we have seventy nine renewals and 63 continuing members and 
    seventeen of these paid NSARTA dues. Check out our unit on Facebook.
C. Program: Peggy Peterson introduced Jake Yetterberg of Yetterberg Retirement Solutions

D. Unfinished Business:

1. TRTA convention recap by Paul included thanks for all the help with the bags as well as registration. The breakout groups were very informative, all recommendations were approved and Lt.Governor Patrick invited himself to speak at the opening ceremony. Paul encouraged members to tour Independence Hill on May 2nd.

E. New Business:

1. District 20 Leadership Conference, Thursday, June 7 at 9:30 a.m., Floresville Events Center. Sign up Officers, Committee Chairs, interested members; lunch provided.

2. 2018-2020 committee chair vacancies are available including the legislative chair. If interested in the legislative chair, shadowing Carlos would be possible.

F. Committee/Activity Reports:

1. Carlos Ortiz - Reminded everyone to vote, the TRS Board meets the end of April for Interest rates. Two elections in May: the 5th is for Alamo College Board Members, Some council members and the NISD bond election. The 22nd is primary run off. The Foundation is working on discovering ways to save money to share with retirees. The golf tournament at the convention raised eight thousand dollars for the foundation. Legislative/Foundation - Carlos Ortiz

2. Eddy English - Healthy Living - reminded us to think healthy.

3. Bertha Colunga - Retirement Education - reported they will be getting lists of retirees and meeting for a mail out party at Paul's house this summer.

4. Sherlyn Valentin - Children's Book Drive- Committee members met and went to Blossom Center (NEISD) book sale and purchased 264 gently used books. The book presentation will be May 21st at Valley High Elementary School.

5. Deanna Van Pelt - Member Benefits - indicated that she will get more information about benefits in the future.

6. Janet Pennock - Community Volunteer hours - Please turn in your hours to her.

G. Newsletter deadline is May 3rd. Door Prizes were enjoyed. Meeting adjourned

Submitted by Judy McFeaters for Suzanne Sim