MINUTES OF THE NSARTA MEETING
SEPTEMBER 21, 2011

The meeting was called to order at 11:35 am by our president, Judy McFeaters. We were led in prayer by our chaplain, Sarah Villarreal. We recited the pledges to the U. S and Texas flags.

Judy thanked Paul Cwiklik for putting together the membership directory. She thanked the calling committee for reminding members of the meeting. She also thanked Jane Hurlbut for the decorations and Michele Bibb for buying new colorful tablecloths. New members and visitors were recognized. It was announced that enough money had been collected in order to continue our catered luncheons.

2nd vice president, Diana Sartin, explained that our speaker would not be able to be here today. Judy said the minutes were on the table, and they were approved.

Treasurer, July Lynn, presented the budget for the year. She explained that only $500.00 had been allocated for scholarship, but hoped we could raise the other $500.00. Carlos Ortiz moved that we accept the budget. It was seconded and passed. The treasurer’s report was on the table with a balance of $16,141.81.

Professional Enhancement chairman, Michel Bibb, presented a way we could raise the extra $500. She suggested we start collecting our loose change, and bring it in by November.

Louise Calvert, Operation Friendship chairman, divided us by our favorite colors (gold, blue, green, or orange), and she read the characteristics according to our favorite color. Carlos Ortiz gave us a lengthy talk about the TRS system (past and present). He reminded us to defend the defined benefit plan and let others know it is not an entitlement, but a system we paid into.

Corresponding secretary, Gayle Green reported on the cards she had sent. Judy reminded us of the upcoming meetings - District XX Fall convention on October 27 and TRTA State convention in March. She also reminded the people to check which month they signed up as hostess to help set up and clean up.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:55 pm.

Barbara Yates
Recording Secretary