Indiana Volkssport Association
December 13, 2014
Hyatt Regency Hotel, Indianapolis
1:00 PM

1. The meeting was called to order by President Cliff Terry at 1:00PM. He welcomed everyone. The roll call was taken by Terry Elser in the absence of Secretary Cheryl Elser. In attendance:

Cliff Terry	INVA President
Don Vartanian	INVA Vice-President
Bob Buzolich	INVA Treasurer
Tom Martin	INVA Member-at-Large
Liz Winsley	3 Rivers Strollers
Clarence Wright	Indy "G" Walkers
Linda Neu	River City Ramblers
Bob Buzolich	Hoosier Hikers
Tom Martin	Goodtime Trailblazers
Terry Elser	Auburn Duesey Walkers
Denny Fritz	Whitewater Valley Walkers
Carolyn Armacost	
Stan Neu	
Susan Budd	
Wilma Fuelling	
Willa Thompson	

2. Minutes from the September meeting were approved as printed.

3. The Treasurer's report was given by Bob Buzolich and approved, subject to audit. Balance is $6432.29. All filings are up to date.

4. After Action Report
   Turkey Run State Park - Oct. 18, 64 participants, profit $100.26

5. 2015 INVA/AVA membership cards were distributed to the attending club representatives.

6. 2015 Calendar of Events was distributed (Revision 12/11/2014)
   A. New Kokomo YRE will have a kick-off Jan. 3, 2015
   B. South Bend YRE start point has been moved to :
      Ivy Inn and Suites
      1404 Ivy Ct.
      South Bend, IN
      C. Warsaw YRE has been cancelled
      D. All clubs were urged to sanction their 2015 walks ASAP

7. Work Assignments for the 2015 INVA Events
   So as not to overtax any club with the work of manning Start/Finish and Checkpoints, Cliff has assigned the following events to the appropriate clubs.

Sat., 3/28	Tippecanoe River SP	Hoosier Hikers and 3 River Strollers
Sat., 5/9	Shakamak SP	Bedford Hiking Club and River City Ramblers
Sat., 8/22	Brown County SP	Bloomington Flying Fish and Indy "G" Walkers
Sat., 10/24	Versailles SP	Auburn Duesey Walkers and Whitewater Valley Walkers

8. Meetup Program
   The first year cost to INVA was $108; the rate has increased to $180/yr, but the website can have 3 sites. The state has been divided into 3 regions - North, Central, and South. Jim Blessing is the organizer for our site: http://www.meetup.com/Indiana-Volkssport-Walking-Meetup/
   A motion to continue the INVA meetup site in 2015 was made by Cliff Terry and seconded by Liz Winsley. The motion was approved by all members.

9. Girl Scout Program Update
   There have been 69 participants for the 4 events since October.
   The program will continue in 2015, with eight more Girl Scout events planned. These walks are sponsored by Indy "G" Walkers, Bloomington Flying Fish, Whitewater Valley Walkers, and INVA.

10. AVA Biennial Convention - Salem, OR, June 13 - 21, 2015

A. All Recognition/Service award nominations need to be submitted to Cliff ASAP. Cutoff is February 28, 2015.
B. Delegates and proxies will be discussed in greater detail at the next INVA meeting
C. The Neu's have volunteered to transport the Silent Auction Basket items to the convention, but size and transportation considerations for the winner should be kept in mind.

11. 2015 Goals
    A. 50 walkers per event
    B. Support the Biennial Convention June 13 - 21
    C. Support the Mid-America Convention in Columbus, OH, Oct. 30 - Nov. 1
    D. Think about ways to increase publicity for INVA/AVA events.
    E. Think about 2016 Indiana Bicentennial and what INVA can do.

12. Other Business - from Linda Neu RD
    A. 9 clubs have dropped out over the last 2 years regionally
    B. Nationally, participation at events has decreased 27%
    C. It costs approx. $160 per club nationally to support AVA
    D. Per Don Vartanian: Rules and regulations over the years have made it difficult to start a new club. No longer can it be done with a simple form and $50.

13. The next INVA meeting will be after the Metamora walk (5/2/2015), at 1:00PM, location TBD

14.Meeting was adjourned at 2:15PM

Respectfully submitted,

Cheryl Elser, Secretary