AFSCME Retirees Subchapter 161 September 2021 Membership Meeting Minutes

The September 15 meeting was called to order. Diane, Tony, Dave and Jesse were the officers that were present. Diane presided over the meeting.

The guest speaker, David Spinner, of AFSCME Retirees Subchapter 87, spoke on our pensions and the challenges we face.

John read the August 2021 membership meeting minutes. A motion was made that the minutes be accepted. The motion was seconded and the motion passed.

Jesse gave the treasurer's report and said that the ending balance for August was \$39,877.36. Dave moved that the treasurer's report be accepted. The motion was seconded and passed.

Diane gave the president's report. She said, "I posted a petition so you can say you're in solidarity with the Art Institute workers."

Dave gave the vice-president's report and said, "We want a list of people willing to picket with the workers at the Art Institute of Chicago."

John spoke on the nomination for trustee. The term ends in April 2024.

Ron nominated Pat Houlihan; Pat accepted the nomination. Ed nominated Ron Smolin. Ron declined, saying he already had a position. Pat Houlihan was declared the new trustee.

It was stated that the audit must be done before the election in April.

Norma said that there will be a virtual convention now and that Diane as president is chairperson of the delegation.

Diane said that training for Jesse, Diane, Dave and Walter will be on ZOOM, and that we nominated Norma to be the representative for Region 1 (which includes the south suburbs, the north suburbs and the city of Chicago) and that we will be electing representatives, the vice-president and president of the executive board, which meets quarterly in Springfield.

An announcement was made about the Illinois Alliance of Retired Americans convention on ZOOM.

John Chambers, trustee of pension funds, said that now is not the time to bring a new trustee on board in the Cook County election.

Next month's membership meeting will be the third Wednesday of the month, October 20, 2021.

John moved we adjourn; the motion was seconded and passed. The meeting was adjourned at 1:33 p.m.