

AFSCME Retirees Subchapter 161 July 2023  
Membership Meeting Minutes

The July 19, 2023, meeting was called to order at 12:01 p.m. Diane, Dave, Tony, Jesse, and MacArthur were the officers and executive board members present. John and Ida were excused. Diane presided.

Tony read the June 2023 membership meeting minutes, Dave moved to accept them, Peter seconded the motion, and it passed.

Jesse gave the June 2023 secretary-treasurer's report, Pat moved that we accept it, Dave seconded the motion, and it passed.

Diane proposed that we pay our next six months of rent (\$180) to the Ethical Humanist Society, Jesse moved that we pay the rent for the next six months, MacArthur seconded the motion, and it passed.

We discussed the convention that will take place downstate in October and decided to elect delegates to the convention in August. A motion was made to pay up to \$6,000 of convention expenses, the motion was seconded, and it passed.

Karl Heinz won the raffle for a free lunch.

We welcomed a new member, Iris Johnson.

We briefly adjourned at 12:31 p.m. and resumed at 12:53 p.m.

Lenny Lankin of the Northwestern Accountability Alliance spoke.

MacArthur will represent us at the Evanston City Council meetings.

The State of Illinois employees' contract is running out. They are voting now on a new contract. A tentative agreement was voted on by employees but not retirees.

It came up that the next day SAG, AFTRA, and WGA would hold a demonstration at Randolph and Michigan, that Starbucks workers were still organizing and striking, that hotel workers in California and Las Vegas were striking, and that the Illinois Single Payer Coalition had a campaign and was trying to get unions involved.

AFSCME got city colleges to give vacant space to migrants.

Dave moved to adjourn, Peter seconded the motion, and we adjourned at 1:48 p.m.

Tony Zappia, Recording Secretary