AFSCME Retirees' Subchapter 161 January 2024 Executive Board Meeting Minutes

The January 10, 2024, executive board meeting was called to order at 12:20 p.m.

Diane, John, Dave, Tony, Jesse, Ida, and MacArthur were the officers and executive board members present. Iris attended too and Diane presided.

Tony held the roll call, and all officers and executive board members were present. Next Tony read the minutes for the December 2023 executive board meeting, Dave moved to accept them, John seconded the motion, and it passed.

Jesse gave the Secretary-Treasurer's report. John moved that we accept it, Dave seconded the motion, and the motion passed.

We discussed the audit.

We discussed the budget. We talked about the statewide and regional alliances we're already supporting. Diane said we should also get involved with local organizations because grassroots groups have less money and support but a wider range.

We discussed trips to Springfield.

Diane said we have a lot less money than a local AFSCME chapter because our fees are low. Dave said we could put funds in a savings account, so the bank would pay us money instead of us paying the bank.

Diane said the Campaign for Long-Term Healthcare would have a Zoom meeting at 6:00 p.m. on January 11.

We discussed technical support, and John said we should not renew our Zoom subscription. He also said we should pare down what our website does but keep it going as it is still useful.

We discussed the PEOPLE meetings and said there would be a PEOPLE reception and meeting in Springfield on January 26–7, and Iris, MacArthur, Diane, and Jesse would attend.

Diane suggested that we have a speaker on gentrification. She said we should have a speaker on Bring Chicago Home at the January meeting and a speaker on Black history in February. Dave said he could ask Representative Will Guzzardi to speak to us.

Diane said that when the weather gets warm, the Illinois Labor History Museum will have tours of Pullman.

There was a motion to adjourn, the motion was seconded, and the meeting adjourned around 2:15 p.m.

Tony Zappia

Recording Secretary