

AFSCME Retirees' Subchapter 161 March 2024

Executive Board Meeting Minutes

The March 13, 2024, executive board meeting was called to order at 12:21 p.m.

Diane, John, Dave, Tony, Jesse, Ida, and MacArthur were the officers and executive board members present. Iris also attended, and so did Paul Delmonico, the president of the West Cook County Retirees subchapter. Diane presided.

Tony read the minutes for the February 2024 executive board meeting, John moved that we accept them, Ida seconded the motion, and it passed.

Diane said we would have to leave after two hours because the Ethical Humanist Society had given Jesse a contract indicating that it was switching to an hourly rate. Dave said the rate would be fifty dollars for two hours and twenty-five dollars for another hour.

Dave moved that to pay for four more months, we add two hundred dollars to the sixty already authorized for January and February. John seconded the motion, and it passed.

John said we had authorized up to two thousand dollars for a mailing for the election, but Maria was going to send all our members a mailing saying she'd be coming to our subchapter in April, and her mailing could include information on the election. He said that would save us two thousand dollars.

MacArthur said someone from Shorefront had spoken at our last membership meeting. John said we don't pay speakers, but we do donate to their organizations. Then he moved that the e-board authorize a two-

hundred-dollar donation to Shorefront as an honorarium to the speaker. Ida seconded the motion, and it passed.

John said he wanted to buy a new mike, giving us four microphones, and have everybody make full use of them. He moved that we spend less than two hundred dollars on a microphone and cables. Ida seconded the motion, and it passed.

Jesse gave the Secretary-Treasurer's report for March 2024. John moved that we accept the report, MacArthur seconded the motion, and it passed.

Jesse said we were buying a \$10,000-dollar CD for eleven months, and the interest rate should be 5 percent.

Jesse said the contract with the EHS allowed only eight people in the conference room, but he had counted nine that day. Diane said we needed to negotiate the eight-person limit.

Diane said Lenny from Reclaim Evanston had said there would be a meeting on Saturday, March 16, at 12:00 p.m. at the United Methodist Church at 2214 Ridge Avenue. She said Iris would attend.

John suggested that we change the date of the next e-board meeting to Thursday, April 11, because we would be lobbying for the Prescription Drug Act on Wednesday, April 10. Jesse pointed out that our contract stipulates that we meet in the EHS building on the second Wednesday of every month. Ida asked if we could negotiate.

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

Tony Zappia

Recording Secretary