

AFSCME Retirees Subchapter 161 March 2024  
Membership Meeting Minutes

The March 20, 2024, membership meeting was called to order at 12:05 p.m. Dave, Tony, Jesse, John, Ida, MacArthur, and Diane were the officers and executive board members present. Clyde Wilson, president of South Suburban Subchapter 163, was the speaker. Diane presided.

Ida instructed us on how to use the mic, saying to hold the mic in front of your mouth. She also said to raise your hand so you can speak, and to speak for no more than three minutes.

Dave announced the drawing for a free lunch (everyone had been asked to order a lunch), and Ida drew Pat's name.

Tony read the February 2024 membership meeting minutes, John moved the minutes be accepted as corrected, someone seconded the motion and it passed.

Dave said that Dorothy had proposed we support Free Speech TV. Dave moved we allocate \$200 to Free Speech TV, John seconded the motion, and it passed. Dave also said that he and Jesse went to the bank and transferred \$10,000 to a CD for eleven months, and that we would see what the interest is.

Jesse gave the secretary/treasurer's report for March 2024; Dave moved that it be accepted, John seconded the motion, and it passed.

Karl explained the procedures involved for the subchapter election to be held at the April membership meeting.

Diane talked about a bill to allow the State of Illinois to negotiate lower drug prices, another bill to create an oversight board for nursing

homes, and the Alliance of Community Services digital showcase to help raise money.

John said, “On the sheet I passed out, there are three sections on what Diane said. The information is in a QR (Quick Response) code. It’s assumed you have a smartphone. Use the phone. Open the camera app, and point the camera at the QR code. If you see corners, focus on the QR code, and press the box (google.com). The information should come up.”

Diane said she did flyers for Bring Chicago Home. The real estate interests scared people into not voting for it, but the coalition will keep working on this.

Dave moved that we adjourn for lunch, Pat seconded the motion, and we adjourned for lunch at 1:19 p.m.

When we resumed after lunch, Clyde Wilson spoke on his experiences in the civil rights movement.

We adjourned at 2:25 p.m.

Tony Zappia, Recording Secretary