

AFSCME Retirees' Subchapter 161 January 2025

Executive Board Meeting Minutes

The January 8, 2025, executive board meeting was called to order at 12:29 p.m.

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

Tony read the minutes for the November 2024 executive board meeting, Dave moved to accept them, John seconded the motion, and it passed.

Diane told us the Nursing Home Antiretaliation Bill had passed. She also said that in the early evening of Thursday, February 6, there would be an hour-and-a-half-long town hall meeting at the Oak Park Public Library. She said the meeting would bring focus to issues affecting state and city employees.

We talked for a while about the Alliance for Community Service. Dave moved that we support the Alliance with \$1,000, John seconded the motion, and it passed.

Diane said that she and Jesse, Iris, MacArthur, Karl, Dave, and Phil (Diane's spouse) would be going to Springfield on Thursday, February 27, to attend the Saturday, March 1, 9:00 a.m.–2:00 p.m. PEOPLE meeting. Jesse said he had reserved five hotel rooms, and Diane said the union in Springfield was making separate reservations for her.

Diane told us the Social Security Fairness Act had passed and said Walt would talk about it at the membership meeting. She also said January Medicare costs had been reduced through the Inflation Reduction Act.

Diane said Tuesday, February 25, would be Prescription Drug Lobby Day in Springfield and there would be a bus to take people there. She said Jesse, MacArthur, and Iris would go.

Jesse gave the November 2024 secretary/treasurer's report, someone moved that we approve it, someone else seconded the motion, and it passed.

Diane said the annual membership dues for the Illinois Alliance for Retired Americans (IARA) were \$500. John moved that we allocate \$500 for IARA membership dues, Dave seconded the motion, and it passed.

Diane told us there would be two demonstrations in Chicago on Inauguration Day. She said one would take place in Water Tower Park and the other one would be at the Daley Plaza or the Federal Plaza.

John moved to adjourn, Dave seconded the motion, and we adjourned at 1:42 p.m.

Tony Zappia,
Recording Secretary