

## **AFSCME Retirees Subchapter 161 June 2025**

### **Members' Meeting Minutes**

The June 19, 2025, members' meeting was called to order at 12:08 p.m. Dave, Tony, Diane, Jesse, Ida, John, and MacArthur were the officers and executive board members present. Diane presided. At 11:55 a.m., before the meeting started, Dave announced that the free lunch would go to Bill.

John showed a video and passed out a handout on the Rockford protest at Darren LaHood's office. He said Fran Tobin would speak about actions with the Alliance for Retired Americans (ARA) and the Alliance for Community Services (ACS).

Tony read the May 2025 members' meeting minutes. Dave moved to accept them, Ida seconded the motion, and it passed.

Diane introduced a new member. Her name is Marla Stein, and she was a special education teacher who served on the Chicago Board of Education. Then Fran Tobin spoke.

Jesse read the secretary/treasurer's report. Dave moved to accept it, John seconded the motion, and it passed.

Diane said the e-board had recommended that we donate toward the legal defense of two people who had demonstrated at LaHood's Rockford office. John moved that we allocate \$200, Dave seconded the motion, and it passed.

Diane said there would be a convention for AFSCME retirees in October and one for the ARA in September.

John moved to allocate up to \$500 for a rally in Peoria, Pat seconded the motion, and it passed.

Diane said AFSCME's state executive board in Springfield has a meeting every three months. She also told us AFSCME is suing the Trump administration over layoffs. And she said we had worked on supporting the Prescription Drug Affordability Act and eliminating the two-tier state pension system.

Diane advised us to register for a Medicare Disadvantage webinar which would take place that night. John said we could sign up for it by going to our website ([afscmeretirees161.com](http://afscmeretirees161.com)) or using the QR code on the AFSCME 161 information card.

Ida moved to adjourn, Shannon seconded the motion, and we adjourned at 1:30 p.m.

Tony Zappia, Recording Secretary