

AFSCME Retirees Subchapter 161 May 2021
Membership Meeting Minutes

The May 19 meeting was called to order at 12:05 p.m. Diane, Tony, and Jesse were the officers that were present. Diane presided over the meeting.

Tony read the April 2021 membership meeting minutes. Pat moved that the minutes be accepted. The motion was seconded and the minutes were accepted.

Jesse gave the secretary/treasurer's report. Ron moved we accept the secretary/treasurer's report. The motion was seconded and passed.

Diane gave the president's report. She mentioned a nationwide strike that day of McDonald's workers and said that the AFSCME virtual convention will be this fall and mentioned the State Employees Retirement System election.

Guest speaker, Fran Tobin, spoke on the nursing home ombudsman campaign and mental health clinics.

Dave spoke on the PRO act.

Diane called for volunteers for committees for restaurants to meet at, and for speakers.

Dave moved that the regular meeting be adjourned. Diane stepped down and Karl chaired the election meeting.

Diane Stokes was nominated for president. John Metz and Ron Smolin were nominated and declined. Diane was elected president.

Mary Bennet was nominated for vice-president and accepted. Dave Rolston was also nominated, so there was a contested election.

Tony Zappia accepted the nomination for recording secretary. There were no other nominations, so the nomination was closed.

Jesse Wilson was nominated for secretary-treasurer. There were no other nominations, so the nomination was closed.

MacArthur Diggs, Ron Smolin, and John Metz were nominated as executive board members. Dave Rolston and Walter Esler declined. The nominations were closed.

For trustees, Walter Esler was nominated for a three-year term, Dorothy Webster was nominated for a two-year term, and Pat Houlihan was nominated for a one-year term. The trustee terms were staggered. Others were nominated but declined. It was pointed out that one cannot run for two offices. The nominations for trustees were closed.

Except for the candidates in the contested election, Karl swore the officers in.

Karl said that we would be getting ballots for the contested election in the mail.

John moved that the subchapter extend thanks to Karl for chairing the election meeting.

The next executive board meeting will be Monday June 14.

The election meeting was adjourned.