

3/8/2022

AFSCME RETIREES:

As your newly elected president, I am humbled to follow those who have preceded me in this position. The challenges we have all faced during the COVID 19 pandemic certainly did not make running this association easy for Mr. Preble. On behalf of the membership and myself, I thank him for his many years of service with AFSCME Council 65 active and retired members. One of the biggest challenges we face as an association that now covers three states (Minnesota and North & South Dakota) is how do we effectively communicate with one another? My hope is that with all of the technology that is available to virtually everyone everywhere that we can continue to utilize the virtual meeting format - ZOOM - that allows anyone with a cell phone or an internet connection with reasonable speed to connect and join our meetings. We need to continue our efforts to collect email addresses and cell numbers as electronic communications are easier, inexpensive, and accessible from anywhere. If you haven't provided your email, or cell number to the Council 65 office, please feel free to contact me - my contact info is included below.

I will be working with the International Union to secure a snail mail to all current and potential members in the near future to help us recruit and retain our members and improve our database and communications with our broad-based membership. Remember if you were covered by PERA and are collecting a PERA pension, you can let us know and your dues can be deducted semi-annually from your pension. \$24.00 per year is all we ask. For those who have to make a direct payment, simply send a check to the AFSCME Council 65 office at 3335 West St. Germain Street; Suite 107, St. Cloud, MN 56301. It would be great to have someone from North Dakota provide us with a monthly update on legislative concerns or happenings, as well as from our brothers & sisters in South Dakota. Having been part of the merger between those states and Council 65, I am aware of the many challenges for our Union members in those states and whatever our collective voice can do as a retiree association, we want to help.

Please consider joining us in person in Nashwauk at the Council 65 office, or via ZOOM, for our March 14th meeting. We only have an hour as the building is in use, but we have a budget to discuss and approve and other items of interest. I thank you for your support of AFSCME, ask that you remain vigilant and patient while we work on some improvements in our communications and wish you all good health and safe travels.

Sincerely,

Steve Giorgi

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March 14, 2022 – AFSCME Co 65 Retiree Meeting Agenda

1. Call to Order
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Introduction of attendees

4. Approve January 25th meeting minutes as read
5. Treasurer's Report – Action Item
Need formal written report from Trustees on most recent audit

6. President's Report
7. Council 65 Update – Jo Musel Parr

8. **Meetings of Interest** – Monthly Iron Range Labor Assembly;
AI Church Donation Deadline: March 31
AI Church Donation Drawing: April 6
AI Church Scholarship Application Deadline: April 15
AI Church Scholarship Winners Chosen: April 29
International Convention: July 11-15th (we have heard the convention call packets for this will go out around April 12th)
AFSCME Council 65 Executive Board meeting March 9th – 4:00 pm
May 7th – 8th District DFL Convention – ROCK in Eveleth

9. OLD BUSINESS:

10. NEW BUSINESS:
Nomination and election of 3 executive board members (2 year term retro to Jan 1, 2022)
Discussion and approval of 2022 annual budget
Other
- Good & Welfare
Next Meeting is scheduled for Monday June 6, 2022
11. ADJOURN

Retiree Treasurer's Report 3/14/22

2022 General Fund Beginning Balance	\$41,883.18
Expenses: (Postage/lunch expense)	\$ 270.80
Deposit – 4 cash paying members	\$ 96.00
Balance as of March 1, 2022	\$41,708.38

An audit was performed on March 4, 2022 Trustees Sandy Roberts and Rich Nyhus conducted the audit with outgoing Treasurer, Peggy Preble and the newly elected Treasurer, Pat Medure. They reviewed the retiree account for the years, 2020; 2021 and the first 3 months of 2022. The account was in order and determined to be true and accurate.

Signature cards were signed at the Park State Bank and President Steve Giorgi, Treasurer Pat Medure and Vice President Tim Hoshal are the signatories for the account. All checks issued require two signatures.

Peggy reports that the 2021 year end surety bond form was filed and sent.

The associations 990-N postcard was sent and accepted.

Our 2021 per capita was filed and paid in the amount of 560 members X \$6.00 = \$3,360.00

Submitted by:

Peggy Preble

Treasurer, AFSCME CO 65 Retiree Chapter



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Primary Account Acct Ending 4889

AFSCME Retiree Chapter 65 MN
Afcme Retirees
Peggy Preble
118 Central Ave
Nashwauk MN 55769

Checking Account

Small Business Ck		Number of Enclosures	0
Account Number	Acct Ending 4889	Statement Dates	2/01/22 thru 2/28/22
Previous Balance	41,708.38	Days in the statement period	28
Deposits/Credits	.00	Average Ledger	41,708.38
Checks/Debits	.00	Average Collected	41,708.38
Service Charge	.00		
Interest Paid	.00		
Current Balance	41,708.38		

Daily Balance Information	
Date	Balance
2/01	41,708.38

2022- Proposed AFSCME Co 65 Retiree Budget

INCOME:

Dues paying members (PERA Deducted) 479 as of 03/01/2022 (479 X \$24.00)	\$11,496.00
Potential dues from 74 cash paying members (not invoiced yet) (70 X \$24.00)	\$ 1,680.00
Total Membership as of 03/01/2022 is 553 TOTAL POTENTIAL INCOME	\$13,176.00

EXPENDITURES

International Per Capita \$6.00 p/member estimated cost (575 X \$6.00)	\$ 3,450.00
International Surety Bond	\$ 100.00
PERA Dues Administration Fee (billed semi annually)	\$ 280.00
AFFILIATION FEES	
AFL-CIO Retiree Council	\$ 100.00
Iron Range Labor Assembly	\$ 10.00
Office Supplies	\$ 50.00
Mail/Postage	\$ 500.00
Membership Meetings – Lunch expenses	\$ 400.00

CONVENTION/CONFERENCE EXPENSES

AFL-CIO Retiree Council Convention Registration	\$ 300.00
AFL-CIO Retiree Council Convention Donation (prizes)	\$ 100.00
AFL-CIO Retiree Fundraiser Donation	\$ 300.00
Co 65 Convention Registration (\$55.00 per delegate)	\$ 55.00
CO 65 Convention Donation for prizes	\$ 100.00
Co 65 Convention Retiree Dinner expenses	\$ 300.00
INTERNATIONAL RETIREE CONVENTION EXPENSE	\$ 500.00

MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSES

IRLA Raffle Ticket Printing	\$ 160.00
Hotel/parking	\$ 1,500.00
Al Church Scholarship Donation	\$ 1,000.00
Other Donations	\$ 500.00
Memorials (deceased members - \$25.00 each)	\$ 500.00
Honor Flight donation	\$ 250.00
Mileage (reimbursement for approved travel @ IRS rate of \$.58.5 p/mile)	\$ 2,000.00

TOTAL ESTIMATED EXPENSES \$12,455.00

ESTIMATED BALANCE \$ 721.00