

AFSCME RETIREE CHAPTER 255
June 19, 2025, Board Meeting Minutes
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Call to order/Minutes Review:

Call to Order by President Tomlinson 12:12 pm

Board Members Present: Leigh Tomlinson, President; Kathie Sherrill, Secretary; Ed McNeil, Treasurer; John McCall, Region 2; Bill Farmer, Region 5; Dennis Nauss, Region 7; Danny Craig, Region 12
Trustee: Elmira Willis-Stuckey

Absent: Pam Shelton-Hyde, Vice President; Val Kindle, Region 3; Don Weatherspoon, Region 6; Shana Thornton, Region 11; Al Garrett, Region 12; Trustees: Vera Saade, Faith Cairgle

Approval of Minutes:

Motion to waive reading of minutes provided to all Board members in advance of meeting

Motion by Dennis Nauss Supported by Ed McNeil

Ayes: All Nays: None Motion carried

Motion to approve minutes as amended (duplicate entry for treasurer report (January 2025))

Motion by Dennis Nauss Supported by Bill Farmer

Ayes: All Nays: None Motion carried

President's Report – Leigh Tomlinson:

President Tomlinson - no report

Vice President's Report – Pam Hyde-Shelton:

Absent no report

Secretary's Report – Kathie Sherrill:

No report

Treasurer's Report – Ed McNeil:

1. Financial reports for March, 2025, April, 2025, May 2025 provided by Ed McNeil
2. CD matured 6/11/2025 and was renewed for 9 months \$31,496.64 at 4.41%
Motion to accept report : Danny Craig Supported by Kathie Sherrill
Ayes: All Nays: None Motion carried
3. Serves on new Board for "Seniors on the Move". Trying to organize Detroit seniors. Trips have been planned.
Good opportunity to bring in more members.
4. 7/8/2025 – 8/11/2025 Senior Day at Eastern Market Shed 3&4. Volunteers needed to man booth.

Board Reports:

Region 1 – Vacant

John McCall – Region 2 – Wayne County retirees fighting for COLA. Chapter 255 well represented at candidate screening

Valerie Kindle – Region – Absent

Bill Farmer – Region 5 – 1) Bill attends WMU breakfast trying to generate more members. Requested materials to handout. 2) Medicare for All now involved with Medicare/Medicaid fight. 3) Still waiting/struggling with MI 925 support. 4) Attends rallies and needs volunteers to help with petitions for MI for Single Payer Healthcare.

Don Witherspoon, Region 6 – Absent no report

Dennis Nauss, Region 7 – Apple watch has great value for falls with seniors. Dennis had a real life experience when he fell on the ice.

Shana Thornton, Region 11 – Absent report read by President Tomlinson. Shana Thornton and Sue Cammeron

attended the AFSCME Michigan Educational Conference in Marquette.

Region 12 – Danny Craig reported on his activities in Henderson, NV.

Julie Bauman – Political Screening Chairperson – 1) Met with Elissa Slotkin in her Detroit office for 30 minutes. 2) Screening endorsements were represented by all chapters. 3)

Motion to accept all reports by
Ayes: All

Motion by Ed McNeil
Nays: None

Supported by Dennis Nauss
Motion carried

Old Business:

1. 2025 Convention; Hall booked, liability insurance paid, garment bags (delegate gift) purchased and paid for, music available.
2. Hotel for convention is holding 15 rooms. John and Julie will inform Sub-chapter 38

New Business:

1. Danny Craig nominated for vacant Region 12 position
Motion to appoint Danny Craig in vacant Region 12 position to fill remaining term made by John McCall,
Supported by Dennis Nauss
Ayes: All Nays: None Motion carried
2. Earl Colbert nominated for vacant Region 1 position
Motion to appoint Earl Colbert in vacant Region 1 position to fill remaining term made by Ed McNeil,
Supported by John McCall
Ayes: All Nays: None Motion carried
3. Don Mackie nominated to UP Labor Hall of Fame on 11/1 at Northern Michigan University.

Good & Welfare:

Prayers for Henry Lykes wife as she is now in hospice.
John McCall thanked the current Chapter 255 Board for doing a great job.

Adjournment: 1:45 pm

Motion by Dennis Nauss
Ayes: All

Supported by Kathie Sherrill
Nays: None Motion Carried

Respectfully submitted,

Kathie Sherrill, Secretary