

**Subject:** Re: Endorsements of Will Wetzel  
**From:** Decatur Labor <labornewsdecaturn@gmail.com>  
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**To:** Reed Sutman <reed@decaturnvote.com>

Hi Reed - sorry I didn't get back to you sooner.

Local AFSCME chapters do not endorse local candidates. All of their endorsements go through AFSCME Council 31 - they recommend to the council. There is no AFSCME 73 - I'm sure he meant SEIU 73.

I reached out to representatives from the AFSCME locals affiliated with DTLA and they all referred to AFSCME Council 31.

D-PACE is made up of Decatur Education Association, Decatur Federation of Teaching Assistants, SEIU Local 73. DFTA 4324 and SEIU 73 did both endorse him.

Decatur Trades & Labor Assembly did endorse Will Wetzel and we represent AFSCME 674-,268, 612 and 632. So he did get endorsed through the CLC.

Hope that helps!

Amy Rueff, COPE Chair  
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On Wed, Apr 12, 2023 at 1:25 PM Reed Sutman <[reed@decaturnvote.com](mailto:reed@decaturnvote.com)> wrote:

Hello,

This email is intended for Amy Rueff, but I'm happy to get a response from anyone knowledgeable on these questions.

Yesterday, I wrote a [bad article](#) regarding endorsements of Will Wetzel that I heard has caused some confusion, and now I'm trying to get everything straight.

Will posted that he was endorsed by AFSCME, among others, but didn't specify which AFSCME. I understand there are four AFSCME unions affiliated with DLTA. I understand DLTA endorses based on a 2/3rd majority vote of delegates from the unions DLTA represents. I understand those unions can also do their own endorsements, separate from DLTA.

1) Did any AFSCME unions endorse Will Wetzel? If yes, which ones specifically?

2) Do you have any contact information for the AFSCME unions 268, 612, 632, and 674?

Particularly any that did their own endorsements of Will.

3) Will had said he thought AFSCME 73 endorsed him. I think it was a mixup because I know SEIU 73 exists, but couldn't find an AFSCME 73. Do you know if an AFSCME 73 exists, and if yes, do you have any contact information?

Thank you,  
Reed Sutman

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