

AARP Chapter 2426(Final)

Minutes from the August 26th, 2020 Board Meeting
(Note: Meeting was held by Video conferencing on *Zoom*)

President **Crespin Guzman** called the meeting to order and led the pledge of allegiance at 1:00 pm.

Roll Call

Present:

President: **Crespin Guzman**
Vice-President: **Nancy Crowther**
Secretary: **Ed Gonzales**
Assistant Secretary: **Marilyn Totten**
Treasurer: **Bill Nicholson**
Board Member: **Wanda Hasley**

Absent:

Assistant Treasurer: **Rosie Perez**
Board Member: **Maria Martinez**

Also in attendance was **Randy Hsi** of the Program and Health Committee and **Pat Thomas** of the Community Service Committee. With the attendance of at least 5 Officers or Board members, a quorum was established for business purposes.

Nancy made a motion that the minutes from the July Board meeting previously sent out by **Ed** be approved as submitted. **Marilyn** seconded. Approved unanimously.

Cres stated that one of the items to be discussed today will be the scheduling of future Board meetings and Programs, and will be addressed later in the meeting.

Nancy said that **Mario** reported that the chapter has not yet been reimbursed from Coach Charter for the San Antonio trip that was cancelled. **Bill** reminded the board that **Mario** was definitely not left financially responsible for this and has already sent **Mario** a check for \$609.75, which **Mario** will then reimburse the chapter when the bus company refunds the money. **Bill** also reminded the Board to check out the Financial report he e-mailed out earlier this month.

In regards to updating the membership roster, **Pat** made a suggestion that to help clean up the listing of dues paying members, the chapter members should be advised in the newsletter of the list and if they know the status or whereabouts of anyone on the list,

please notify either the missing member or the chapter. The delinquent members would need to pay dues for 2020 to be reinstated. Several Board members questioned whether publication of the list in the newsletter would be appropriate.

Nancy made a motion to direct the task committee comprised of **Bill** and **Diane** to work on a statement regarding delinquent dues and the reactivation of membership to be sent to those affected. Motion was seconded by **Marilyn**. Approved unanimously.

Cres reported that **Randy** will coordinate and generate instructions on how to sign in on *Zoom* for his upcoming presentation. **Randy** said AARP should provide the “Zoom Room”, however he felt that a second person should take on the responsibility to setting up the presentation, not the presenter. He also suggested we invite people from WellMed and he will coordinate that invitation with **Laura Dutton**. **Randy** will have a future report on this issue.

Pat inquired whether we need to be having a Board Meeting every month, or would it be better use of our time to revert to the old schedule of every other month as when we would meet at the Menchaca library pre-COVID19. She further stated that with all of the other things people are involved in as well as other *Zoom* presentations and meetings, it can get both confusing and time consuming. **Cres** said that in light of the current circumstances caused by the pandemic, he felt that it would be beneficial to have the Board continue to meet every month. Although Board Meeting are designed primarily for the Board, lately other committee members have been invited to attend and this may be the only way to keep in touch with their current activities, diminished though they may be. In these atypical times, it doesn't appear that we will be returning to our pre-pandemic schedules any time in the near future. We will continue as we have been doing as see how it works out. Hopefully by January, things may be more well defined.

Marilyn asked whether these monthly presentations every 3rd Wednesday of the month are now taking the place of our former Chapter general meetings. **Pat** said that the appropriate terminology to be used should be that these are NOT general meetings, but *Zoom* presentations only and a notice needs to be in the newsletter regarding this.

Cres then addressed the confusion about today's *Zoom* meeting invitation stating that this meeting was cancelled as well as absence of an agenda included with the revised invitation. Henceforth, for the Board of Director's meeting, **Cres** will send the agenda to **Diane** for distribution separate from the *Zoom* invitation.

Marilyn said that she will be in touch with **Joanne Cepero**, of the Membership

Committee, to get in touch with members who attended the last two Chapter General meetings at SASAC. **Cres** said this a good idea to take the initiative on this and to also work closely with the **Elaine Benton** of the Telephone Committee.

Cres asked if anyone has been in touch with **Kathryn Stone** of the Sunshine Committee. Efforts to reach her have not been successful. **Wanda** said she too has tried, but could not contact her.

Pat added that nothing is going on with the Community Service Committee's activities due to the pandemic. She feels it is still to dangerous to ride the buses for the Roll and Stroll trips. She also asked everyone to continue to help support the St. Ignatius and Bread For All food pantries.

The next Board meeting is tentatively scheduled for Wednesday, September 24th at 1:00pm

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 2:15pm

Approved _____

Ed Gonzales, Recording Secretary