

AARP Chapter 2426

Minutes from the July 19th, 2017 Meeting

President **Petr Skalnik** called the meeting to order at 1:00pm

Vice-President **Elaine Benton** led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Announcements: The next regular Chapter meeting will be on **August 16th, 2017 @ 1:00PM** at the South Austin Senior Activity Center. The next Board meeting will be on **Wednesday, September 27th** at the Manchaca Road Branch of the Austin Public Library @ 10:00 am.

Minutes

The minutes of the June general meeting were read and approved.

Program

Stephanie Braddock, from Texas AARP, detailed how the advocacy staff has worked very hard this legislative session to build relationships with legislators and have coordinated visits with legislators and AARP volunteers to produce a success. She further explained how AARP has worked to promote various bills which greatly affect seniors.

Treasurer's Report

Barbara Fetonte reported that the Checking Account was **\$2,438.20**, the Travel Account was **\$2,168.38** and the Savings Account remained at **\$25.00**

Committee Reports

Community Service Committee: **Pat Thomas** reported that there would be a theater party to go to see “**Annie Get Your Gun**” on August 5th. You will need to sign up by Saturday and the price is \$21.00. **Pat** is planning a Roll and Stroll to visit the Dell Medical Center with a stop to Scholz Bier Garten. Also in the planning stages is a visit to the Mueller Community Development and Farmers Market and to the Harry Ransom Center sometime in September.

Sunshine Committee: **Elaine Benton** reported three birthdays: **Pat Thomas, Dolores Macaluso and Frances Puga** and one anniversary **John and Althea Conrado**.

Membership Committee: **Margaret Hughes** reported that there were 69 attendees including 3 guests: **Andrea Reed, Jean Brown and Mark Payne**. We have added 14 new members since the last meeting.

Program Committee: **Pete** reported we are still in need of a new chairperson. All of the programs for the coming year are already scheduled, so this committee is currently in great shape.

Travel Committee: Mario Macaluso said the sign-up for the Painted Churches of Texas trip is closed. He is also planning an Octoberfest Trip to be led by Caryn Gullas in the fall and a December trip to Clifton, Texas on December 2nd to enjoy a Norwegian Christmas celebration.

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 3:25pm.

Respectfully submitted,

(APPROVED 8/16/2017)

Ed Gonzales, Secretary