

# AARP Chapter 2426

## Minutes from January 17<sup>th</sup>, 2018 Meeting

President **Petr Skalnik** called the meeting to order at 1:00pm. Vice President **Elaine Benton** led the pledge to the flag.

**\*Announcements:** The next regular Chapter meeting will be on February 21, 2018 @1:00PM at the South Austin Senior Activity Center. The next Board meeting will be on January 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2018 at the Manchaca Road Branch of the Austin Public Library @ 10:00 am.

### OLD BUSINESS

**Minutes:** The minutes of the December 2017 meeting were read and approved.

**Pete** announced that the annual **CLO** (Chapter Leadership Orientation) Meeting will take place on Tuesday, January 23, 2018 from 8 a.m. to noon at the Bethany United Methodist Church, 10010 Anderson Mill Road. All board members and officers, as well as any other interested members are encouraged to attend.

**Pete** also announced that scheduled speaker for today, **Dr. Manuel Martin**, had to cancel and that **Dr. Mario Macaluso** will do a presentation instead.

### COMMITTEE REPORTS

**Marilyn Totten** reported that the slate of candidates for the coming year is the same as those who served last year. The installation of officers will take place at the next chapter meeting. There is still a need for a chairperson for the nominating committee. **Marilyn Totten** volunteered to fill that position. **Danny Fetonte** nominated her and **Barbara Kaiser** seconded.

**Attendance and Membership Committee:** **Margaret Hughes** reported that there were 47 attendees and 12 guests. They were: **Brenda Wright, Walter Mendez, Delaine Brady, Arleava Carr, Nunie Falcon, Nancy Johnson, Frances Parker, Maria and Crispin Guzman, Brett and Susan Cothman and Johnnie Strekfuss.**

**Treasurer's Report:** **Barbara Fetonte** reported that the Checking Account balance was **\$2,294.84**, the Travel Account balance was **\$564.24** and the Savings Account balance remained at **\$25.00**.

**Community Service Committee:** **Pat Thomas** relayed the thanks she got from the Drive-A-Senior Group for all of the donations of gift bags at Christmas. She also announced several new Roll and Stroll events to take place in the near future and urged everyone to watch the newsletter and emails for specific dates and venues.

**Program Committee:** **Jose Saenz**, chairman, reported that an email will be sent to the rest of the committee to coordinate the schedules of the up and coming programs for the year.

**Sunshine Committee:** There were 4 birthday celebrants present: **Sue Furstun, Rose Gonzales, Terry LaRosa and Shirley Paz.** There were **NO** Anniversary celebrations.

**Travel Report: Mario Macaluso** said that the next trip will be to Waco on Tuesday, February 20<sup>th</sup> @8:30 to visit the Armstrong Library as well as the Dr. Pepper Museum with lunch at Ninfa's Mexican Restaurant. Return to Austin by 4:30. Tickets are \$45. Check in at SASAC by 8:00 am sharp. We currently need 6 more members to sign up to make the trip possible.

**Program: Mario Macaluso** presented an humorous and entertaining portrayal of the events leading him from a small Italian town to his life in America and the joys, hardships and surprizes he encountered along the way.

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 2:30pm.

**Ed Gonzales, Secretary**

**(APPROVED February 21st, 2018)**

\*Not read at the meeting, for informational purposes only