

AARP Chapter 2426

Minutes from the January 28th, 2019 Board Meeting

President **Pete Skalnik** called the meeting to order at 10:00am

Attending the meeting were: **Barbara Fetonte, Margaret Hughes, Pete Skalnik, Gail Glick, Mary Ragland, Al Prewitt, Doris Thorne, Marilyn Totten, Nancy Crowther, Randy Tsai, Rosie Perez, Connie Flores, and Ed Gonzales**

The minutes of the **November 20th, 2018** Board Meeting were read and approved.

OLD BUSINESS

Pete reminded the Board that the next regular meeting will be on February 20th; the next Board meeting will be on March 26th, 2019 and the next meeting of the Community Council will be on March 12th, 2019. Pete also commented on the recent CLO meeting, which was sparsely attended by only 20 AARP members this year. Nonetheless, one positive item gathered from the meeting was the idea of setting “Smart Goals” for the Chapters. Our goal last year was to add new members, which was accomplished very well. This coming year the major emphasis will be to increase more chapter members in participation and leadership roles. One idea is to have more “Back-Up” for officers and committee members. Another idea was to create an even more diverse and socialized meeting environment by inviting members to sit at different tables each month in order to meet new people.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Treasurer’s Report

Barbara Fetonte reported that the Account balances were: Checking-\$1,971.68, Travel -\$ 754.75; and Savings remained at \$25.00. **Barbara** also handed out and explained in detail copies of the proposed budget for 2019. *Marilyn Totten moved that it be approved and Al Prewitt seconded the motion. It was approved unanimously by the board members present, with the understanding that adjustments can be made for any corrections which might occur during the next fiscal year.*

Health Committee

Gail Glick announced that **Randy Hsi**, a previous presenter on Medicare/Medicaid, who is now a chapter member, is on the Health Committee and they are formulating new initiatives to be addressed at future meetings, such as a program on Trips and Falls or one on prescription Drug Costs. It was suggested that these topics may be useful to put in the newsletter.

New Business

Pete said that **Diane McGowan** will continue to maintain the newsletter as well as any input into the website and that she has recently mailed out the AARP Community Service Award.

Travel Committee

Rosie Perez reminded the Board that our first trip in 2019 is on April 9th. There is room for 35-40 people and the cost will be \$45.00. The tour will visit Homestead Heritage Village, near Waco. Lunch at Ninfa's Mexican Restaurant and shopping at the marketplace and a “mystery stop” on the way back to Austin.

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 11:30am.

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Ed Gonzales, Secretary