

AARP Chapter 2426

Minutes from the July 17th, 2018 Board Meeting

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

Attending the meeting were: **Barbara Fetonte, Al Prewitt, Pat Thomas, Margaret Hughes, Pete Skalnik, Elaine Benton, Gail Glick, Mary Ragland, Debbie Galloway, Crispin Guzman and Ed Gonzales**

The minutes of the **May15th, 2018** Board Meeting were read and approved.

OLD BUSINESS

Pete reminded the Board that the next meeting will be on September 18th. We also need to bring 200 cookies to the AARP day in August. **Pete** also said the Chapter certification was approved and we are good to go until next time when we have to re-apply as a non-profit organization.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Program Committee

Pete announced that **Jose Saenz** has had some family issues to address and in his stead, **Crispin Guzman** will assist in lining up any programs still needed for the rest of the year. **Pat Thomas** said that she would like to add a program concerning the new Waller Creek Park and would like to invite members of the Waller Creek Conservancy to address the chapter. Additionally, at tomorrow's meeting, representatives from CapMetro will be on hand to sign up those members interested in obtaining a Senior Bus Pass. Also tomorrow, **Crispin** will be having an ice cream contest with prizes to be given to the winners.

Treasurer's Report

Barbara Fetonte reported that the Account balances were: Checking-\$1,368, Travel -\$2,255 and Savings remained at \$25.00

Health and Legislative Committee

Diane McGowan recently emailed chapter members a copy of a letter sent to **Mary Ragland** from the AARP National Offices in which they urged members to take action to prevent the Justice Department from attacking protections against drug price gouging. Included in the email was a website whereby you can voice your concerns and opposition to this attack on our health care.

Community Service Committee

Pat Thomas said that the planned trip to Clarksville is going to be rescheduled due to the extreme heat. It will be done at a later date. Also an evening roll and stroll is in the planning stages to go to the Hula Hut on the Lake.

Nominating Committee

Pete need to get with **Marilyn Totten** to determine who is still on this committee. **Gail Glick** will speak with **Marilyn** on this issue when she returns from vacation.

Hospitality Committee

Al Prewitt reported that we are really cramped for space to store old records and hospitality supplies. **Mary Ragland** volunteered to look at some of the old records to see which should be purged. **Al** also suggested we might have a Volunteer of the Month award to increase awareness in submitting hours to **Ed Gonzales**. **Ed** said that might be tough as **Althea Conrado** usually submits approximately 300-400 hours monthly that she volunteers knitting blankets for Health Services. **Diane** requested that **Ed** send her a short blurb to be inserted in the newsletter on the importance of reporting the volunteer hours.

Membership Committee

Margaret Hughes requested that we have a few copies of the newsletter at the reception desk to hand out to guests or new or prospective members.

Sunshine Committee

Effective immediately, **Kathryn Stone** will be taking over the responsibilities of acknowledgement of birthdays and anniversaries and the distribution of candy from **Doris Thorne**.

New Business

Diane McGowan reported that our chapter has been awarded a \$1,000.00 grant for Chapter Awareness from AARP community outreach and that part of the funds will be used to purchase material and sew approximately 35 vests with AARP logos for use when traveling and on roll and strolls to increase awareness of our presence in activities in the public.

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 11:25am.

(APPROVED 9/17/2018)

Ed Gonzales, Secretary