

# **AARP Chapter 2426**

## **Minutes from the July 17th, 2019 Meeting**

Secretary **Ed Gonzales** called the meeting to order and led the pledge to the flag at 1:00pm.

**\*Announcements:** The next regular Chapter meeting will be on August 21st, 2019 @1:00PM at the South Austin Senior Activity Center. The next Board meeting will be on July 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2019 at the Manchaca Road Branch of the Austin Public Library @ 10:00 am.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

**Minutes:** The minutes of the June 19th, 2019 meeting were read and approved.

**Diane McGowan**, newsletter editor and website manager, reminded the members that she will be out of town soon, so have your submissions to the newsletter to her by July 31<sup>st</sup>.

**Ed** reported that Acting President **Elaine Benton** is in St. Louis tending to necessary family business and that Al Prewitt has left the Hospice Care facility and is now at the Gaines Ranch Rehabilitation Center.

### **PROGRAM**

Program Chairman **Crispin Guzman** introduced **Ms. Joan Cox**, who is the instructor for Intermediate Line Dancing Classes held at the SASAC. She and her class performed 6 lively dances for the chapter's entertainment prior to having out annual Ice Cream Social and Pot Luck dinner.

### **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

#### **Attendance and Membership Committee**

**Margaret Hughes** reported that there **106** attendees at today's meeting including **22** guests. There were **4** new members who joined since June and there are now approximately **232** members in our Chapter.

#### **Treasurer's Report**

**Barbara Fetonte** reported that the Account Balances were :Savings **\$25.00**. Travel **\$721.72** and Regular Checking **\$2312.55**

#### **Community Service Committee**

**Pat Thomas** Reported that there will be many opportunities to participate in Roll and Stroll and other activities in the near future, such as visits to a Senior Resource Fair, a visit to the Bob Bullock Museum, a twilight tour and others. Please check your

newsletters and emails for more specifics. Pat also announced that she will be on medical leave for the next few months and that **Deborah Fennell** has graciously volunteered to lead the Roll and Stroll program in her absence.

### **Program Committee**

**Crispin Guzman** reported that there are several changes being made to the previously proposed line-up for the coming programs and that he and his committee members are working on finalizing the schedule. Next month, representatives from the State Offices of AARP will address the Chapter on current legislation. There will be more information to follow both in emails and in the newsletter.

### **Sunshine Committee**

There were 7 July Birthdays and 2 Anniversaries.

### **Travel Committee**

**Mario Macaluso** announced that the next trip to the Houston Space Center on September 10<sup>th</sup>, 2019 is now full. Also the trip to Italy is also full. He cautioned the members that since we were now about 230 members, it behooves you to act quickly in signing up for trips as the one bus fills fast and there are not enough people on the subsequent waiting list to warrant the expense of hiring a second bus. Mario said he will have more information about a Christmas trip at the next meeting.

### **Hospitality Committee**

**Connie Flores** again thanked members for their generous food offerings and reminded them to collect their dishware at the end of the meeting.

**Remember:** Bring your aluminum ring tabs to **Rita Forbush** for the Ronald McDonald House.

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 3:00pm.

**Ed Gonzales**, Secretary

**APPROVED** (August 21st, 2019)

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