

# AARP Chapter 2426

## Minutes from the June 17<sup>th</sup>, 2020 Board Meeting (Note: Meeting was held by Video conferencing on Zoom)

President **Crespin Guzman** called the meeting to order and led the pledge of allegiance at 1:00 pm.

### Roll Call

**Present:** President: **Crespin Guzman**      **Absent:** Assistant Secretary: **Marilyn Totten**  
Vice-President: **Nancy Crowther**              Assistant Treasurer **Rosie Perez**  
Secretary: **Ed Gonzales**  
Treasurer: **Bill Nicholson**  
Board Members: **Wanda Hasley and Maria Martinez(on phone)**

Also in attendance was **Randy Hsi and Laura Dutton** of the Health Committee, **Mary Ragland**, Chair of the Legislative Committee, **Pat Thomas** and **Deborah Fennell** of the Community Service Committee. With the attendance of almost all Officers and Board members, a quorum was established for business purposes.

**Cres** stressed that the main purpose of this meeting was to hear from the different Committees and Committee Coordinator, **Nancy**, as to the status of their current activities.

**Ed** asked that whether there were any additions or corrections to the minutes of the May Board meeting sent out by email and if not, **he made a motion that they be approved.**

**Bill seconded. Approved by unanimous vote.** Ed also reported that since our last chapter meeting in February, there have only been 759 volunteer hours reported, bringing our yearly total to 1,651, well behind our usual numbers for this time last year.

**Nancy** said that she has coordinated with **Diane McGowan** about placing information in the newsletter and in an email concerning “ Project Connect” and the information was well received.

**Bill** attempted to detail several issues concerning the proposed budget, but was having audio problems so he decided to send supporting information out by email.

**Pat Thomas** then gave a detailed description of the various ways the Community Service Committee can assist seniors in the south Austin area and requested more ideas on this issue. She also praised the Meals on Wheels (MOW) organization for doing an excellent job. **Deborah Fennell** expanded on the distribution system of MOW and also reported that every Monday, MOW is distributing food for the needy at SASAC.

**Pat made a motion that Chapter 2426 donate \$100 to Meals on Wheels and the motion was seconded by Deborah . Approved by acclimation.**

**Pat** also said that if and when any further Roll and Stroll excursions take place, probably sometime in the fall, they will be, by necessity, small in scale and duration.

**Wanda** reported that due to the cessation of monthly meeting, there will be no ice cream social in July as in previous years. **Nancy** suggested that maybe we could look into whether we could get HEB or some other entity to donate some coupons for ice cream. She also reported that she was told by **Rosie Perez** that the \$55 for the last trip that was cancelled has been refunded to the chapter members.

**Randy** and **Laura** reported that **Jessica Lemann**, AARP State Office Liaison, informed them that all programs at the state level have been cancelled until January 1, 2021. At that time, they may resume programs by use of Webinars.

**Maria** suggested that we continue to honor birthdays and anniversaries. **Cres** volunteered to call Kathryn Stone to find out how that program might be managed during this time. **Bill** indicated he could support the program by providing the critical data to the committee chair.

**Mary**, Legislative Committee Chair, suggested that we talk to **Jessica** as to what local chapters can do in the meantime to keep our members apprised of the coming legislative session, maybe by videos on You Tube or Facebook.

The next board meeting is scheduled for the third Wednesday, July15th at 1:00pm.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:30pm.

Approved 7/15/2020

**Ed Gonzales, Recording Secretary**