

# AARP Chapter 2426

## Minutes from May 16th, 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 June 20th, 2018 @1:00PM at the South Austin Senior Activity Center. The next Board meeting will be on July 17th 2018 at the Manchaca Road Branch of the Austin Public Library @ 10:00 am.

### OLD BUSINESS

**Minutes:** The minutes of the April 18th, 2018 meeting were read and approved.

### NEW BUSINESS

**Pete** reported that he will need around 10 volunteers to help with the next AARP Day to be held Thursday, August 16th at the Bethany United Methodist Church on Anderson Mill Road. In addition to **Pete**, the following graciously volunteered to assist: **Danny and Barbara Fetonte, Crispin and Maria Guzman, Jose Saenz, Nancy Crowther, Katherine Stone, Diane McGowan and Doris Thorne.**

**Jose Saenz** announced that the program for June will be a discussion on Immigration and DACA by **Lilliana Mendoza**; the program for July will be the ice Cream Social and the Program for August will be a presentation by the 360.org. **Jose** reminded members to save aluminum pull tabs for the Ronald McDonald House.

**Marie Tovar** requested that members try to recycle as much as possible from the snack utensils. There will be a separate container for this purpose.

### PROGRAM

Our presenters were **Rebecca Craig and Karen Hill** from the Adult Protective Program of the Texas Department of Family and Protective Services, whose mission is to protect older adults and persons with disabilities from abuse, neglect, and exploitation by investigating and providing or arranging for services, if needed, to stop or prevent further harm. APS investigates cases involving adults who are elderly or have disabilities. Any adult who has a disability or who is age 65 or older that is in a state of abuse, neglect, or exploitation may be eligible to receive services. Some of the services provided are short-term help with shelter, home repairs, food, transportation, managing money, medical care, home healthcare services, and mental health services.

## COMMITTEE REPORTS

**Attendance and Membership Committee:** **Margaret Hughes** reported that there were **62** members and **13** guests in attendance. The guests were: **Tony Fonseca, Carol Ford, John Dahmus, Loretta Dahmus, Karen Hill, Rebecca Craig, Frances Parker, Darlene Whited, Roger Lohmann, Dixie Safron, Theresa Martinez, Pamela Jordan, and Rex Pendleton.** There was also 1 new member: **Manwah Siu**

**Treasurer's Report:** **Barbara Fetonte** reported that the Checking Account balance was **\$2, 519.16**; the Travel Account balance was **\$1,645.31**; and the Savings Account balance remained at **\$25.00.**

**Community Service Committee:** **Pat Thomas** was on vacation in May, but there will be several new Roll and Stroll events to take place in the near future. Everyone should continue to watch the newsletter and emails for specific dates and times. Also many new changes are coming to established bus routes, so more will be reported on this as it occurs.

**Sunshine Committee:** There was 8 birthday celebrants present and no anniversaries.

**Travel Committee:** **Mario Macaluso** said the trip to the **LBJ Ranch in Johnson City** on May8th, with a side trip to the **Wild Seed Farm** went very well. The next trip will be to visit the **George H.W. Bush Museum** in College Station on September 11<sup>th</sup>. Self-guided tour at leisure of the Library and Museum with lunch on your own at Abuelo's Mexican Restaurant. In the afternoon, there will be a "Mystery stop" before returning to Austin. Price: \$45 per person based on 35-38 people (It includes bus ride, bus driver tips, admission to the Library and Museum, water, treats, raffle gifts and a the "mystery stop."). Bus will leave SASAC at 8:15 sharp, members have first priority before space will be given to other guests.

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

**Ed Gonzales, Secretary**

**(APPROVED June 20th, 2018)**

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