

# AARP Chapter 2426

## Minutes from the October 17th, 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 November 21, 2018 @1:00PM at the South Austin Senior Activity Center. The next Board meeting will be on November 20<sup>th</sup>, 2018 at the Manchaca Road Branch of the Austin Public Library @ 10:00 am.

### OLD BUSINESS

**Minutes:** The minutes of the September 19th, 2018 meeting were read and approved as corrected.

**Pete** again reminded everyone that election day is November 6th, so if you still have not registered to vote, you can do so with **Barbara Fetonte** here today. **Pete** also announced that the date of the next CLO meeting is set for January 22nd or the 29th in case of inclement weather. Also be reminded that Medicare enrollment is from October 15th through December 7th.

**Diane McGowan** as yet has not received any requests for volunteering to help rebuild of the Chapter website, so she will undertake this effort herself, but is more than willing for any assistance she might receive. She also announced that the Chapter 2426 customized vests have been completed and that we now also have Chapter business cards to hand out at out various activities.

### PROGRAM

Jessica Lemann, Associate Director for Outreach and Advocacy and Amanda Fredricksen, Associate State Director of Advocacy, with the AARP State office in Austin, provided a current status report on a number of topics such as, Community Team activities, state and federal level major legislative initiatives and activities of interest and potential impact to our Chapter members in our community.

### COMMITTEE REPORTS

#### Attendance and Membership Committee

**Margaret Hughes** reported that there **85** attendees at today's meeting including **13** guests. There are now over 200 members in our Chapter.

#### Treasurer's Report

**Barbara Fetonte** reported that the Account balances were: Savings \$25.00, Travel \$1841.71; Regular Checking \$1,213.67 Grant Balance \$153.95

### **Community Service Committee**

**Pat Thomas**. Reported several Roll and Stroll events in the coming weeks, such as the Dia de los Muertos Parade; a visit to the Texas Book Festival; participating in the “Big Sing”; a visit to the Main Library’s Austin History Center for a session on genealogy; and a visit to the Dell Children’s Hospital later this spring. Please see your emails for specific dates and times. Also remember to bring your aluminum ring tabs to **Rita Furbish** for the Ronald McDonald House.

### **Sunshine Committee**

**Kathryn Stone** announced that there were 2 birthday celebrants and no anniversaries.

### **Travel Committee**

**Rosie Perez** reminded the chapter that the next trip will be a bus ride to San Antonio, with shopping at El Mercado and a free admission to the San Antonio Museum of Art. There will also be a stop at the River Walk Center food court while enjoying the Christmas lights along the River Walk, as well as shopping, or taking a boat ride on your own provided you do it in ample time before the bus leaves for Austin at 8 p.m. sharp. Day of trip: Tuesday, December 11, 2018 The cost will be \$40.00 and we will leave SASAC @ 1:00pm sharp and return around 9:30pm. As of today, there were still 2 seats left.

### **Nominating Committee**

**Marilyn Totten** reported that the proposed 2019 slate is full and will be announced at the November meeting for approval.

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 3:45pm.

**Ed Gonzales**, Secretary

**APPROVED** (November 21<sup>st</sup>, 2018)

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