AARP CHAPTER 1917 GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING MINUTES FOR May 9, 2013

The meeting was called to order by President Chris Norris at 10:00 AM. There were 58 attendees with 4 new members.

Visitors were introduced. Chris recognized the "return" of Duby Eby.

Our speaker was Maryland Senator Jim Mathias who represents Worcester, Wicomico and Somerset counties and is on the Finance committee. He noted that Maryland public schools are rated #1 nationally for the 5th year in a row, with Worcester county test scores being #1 in the state. Senator Mathias gave a detailed report of the actions of the recent legislature affecting citizens 50 and over. These can be viewed at http://www.scribd.com/doc/136968015/How-Marylanders-50-Fared-in-the-2013General-Assembly-by-AARP-MD. With help for issues within the state, Jim can be reached at his Bishopville office 410-352-3096 or the Annapolis office 410-841-3645. He was presented with a certificate of appreciation for his presentation.

Treasurer's report was presented by Bill Shoop. Balances ending for April are: General Fund –\$11,613.31; Health Fair - \$1,258.57, Travel - \$9,196.08. Motion to approve the financial report for April was made by John Lucas, second by Bob Chapman, approved by all.

Health Fair. Chris and Dr. Friedman thanked all volunteers. There were 465 attendees including the vendors. Dr. Friedman is working on setting the date for 2014.

Travel. Bob McCluskey announced an AARP Defensive Driving Course had been set up by Sandy Kvech for June 18 at the OC MAC Center, \$12 cost, reservations are limited to 30. Discovery Center bus will leave 65th St. at 9:30am on June17; water (no snacks) will be supplied. October 22 Annapolis trip final payment is requested at the June meeting. NYC trip balance is due at the June meeting. December Williamsburg trip deposit of \$100 is due at the June meeting. Niagara Falls is cancelled for this year. All checks are to be made to AARP 1917.

Frank Hoover presented cupcakes to the May birthday celebrants.

President Chris announced speakers for June – Michael Franklin, CEO of AGH; September – Salisbury Zoo; October – cooking class; November – Obama care; December – Salisbury Acapella Choir. The November meeting will have a vet to be determined venue as speakers are coming from National AARP.

50/50 won by John Bloecher - \$31 to John, \$31 to the Chapter.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 11:15 AM.

Respectfully submitted, Andrea Albrecht, Recording Secretary