

SDSA Board Minutes

May 10, 2009

The meeting was called to order by co-chair Roberto Flores at 7:00 PM.

Members present: Roberto Flores, Jeanne Belaire, Peg MacPhail, Linda Allen, Mark Spencer, Larry Stallings, David Plylar, Cris Ramirez, Bryan Gerard, and Olga Hernandez

Members absent: Lynne Armstrong and Chris Forbrich

Minutes from the April Board Meeting were distributed by Jeanne, who graciously agreed to take minutes in my absence. Peg made a motion to accept the minutes as presented, Linda seconded and the motion carried.

Treasurer, Larry, reported that we have a balance of \$1809.55 in the bank.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Budget, Finance and Fundraising: Mark reported that the committee is doing research on the software needed for SDSA accounting purposes. More information on this will be presented at the next meeting.

Communications: Bryan initiated a discussion on the possibility of setting up a Yahoo group for SDSA members and using Facebook for the membership as well. Initial comments were related to membership e-mail blasts. Political candidates were requesting that we send out information to the membership. They need to be informed about what type of information we can send. There is one monthly blast, about the membership meeting, that Linda sends. She will check with the co-chairs to see if anything else needs to be included in this message. Care needs to be taken in forwarding messages from Constant Contact, as people can be unsubscribed by forwarding a message. A suggestion was made by Bryan to have only one blast per month and two per month during election cycles. Yahoo and Facebook can be used to provide items of interest and discussion and e-mail blasts for official club business. Mark suggested that a presentation be made to the membership regarding the uses and purposes of Facebook, Yahoo groups and Constant Contact. Peg asked the Communications Committee to come up with guidelines and requirements for these different internet sites. Bryan indicated that the committee would have them for next meeting. Larry suggested that we

present the membership with a printed list of places that they can find out about us. The Communications Committee will set guidelines detailing what we can send out to the membership for the candidates, and once they are endorsed we will give them our guidelines.

Endorsement: David will be sending letters to Lourdes Galvan and Byron Miller inviting them to speak at the May membership meeting. He moved that we invite Julian Castro to speak to the membership, Peg seconded and the motion passed. David also made a motion to give Galvan and Miller, both of whom are in a run-off, additional funds, \$250 each, Bryan seconded and the motion passed. Motions from the Endorsement Committee approved by the SDSA Board cannot be voted on by the membership at the May meeting since adequate notice has not been given to the members. They will be voted on at the June meeting.

Program and Events: Larry reported for Diane, that Oak Hills Country Club is available for the SDSA Banquet to be held in October. Peg made a motion that we accept this venue for the banquet, Olga seconded and the motion passed.

Chief McManus was invited to speak at the May membership meeting in response to a recent incident involving a lesbian couple. He could not attend but will be invited to attend the June membership meeting.

New Business: Now that the election is over Mark will complete the update of the SDSA Brochure and give it to Olga for typing.

Bryan suggested that the SDSA Board meet at the SAPAC offices on San Pedro for the next meeting. Peg made a motion to this effect, Olga seconded and the motion passed.

Larry reviewed the policies for raffles, auctions, etc. for Stonewall Meetings and Events because a member wanted to donate an item for auction at the SDSA Banquet.

The Birthday Bash will be held on May 30th at the home of Olga and Lynne. Members will be notified via e-mail blast.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:35 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Cris Ramirez,
Secretary