

SDSA Board Minutes

March 8 2010

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM by Co-chair Elena Guajardo at the SAAPAC office.

Members present: Elena Guajardo, David Plylar, Ruby Krebs, Chris Forbrich, Kevin Voelker, Bryan Gerard, and Eduardo Juarez

Members absent: Eric Alva, Olga Hernandez, Linda Allen, Peg MacPhail, and Cris Ramirez

Guest: Michelle Meyers

Treasurer, Kevin Voelker reported that SDSA's current balance is \$9,593.62.

Committee Reports:

Banquet Committee: Chris reported that he had received a proposal from the Airport Hilton for the cost of the dinner and banquet. He moved and Ruby seconded to approve the contract as presented, the motion passed. SDSA will strive to reduce the cost of fundraising this year in each category, thereby increasing profit.

Endorsement Committee: David reported that the April 12th SDSA Membership Meeting will also be an Endorsement Forum for local school board positions. Questionnaires are being sent to school board candidates. The committee has decided to broaden the scope of the forum to include candidates in the Alamo College race. The questionnaire designed for the Alamo College Board candidates was discussed; in particular the difference between gender identity versus gender expression, both terms appearing in one of the questions. David moved to include the Alamo College Trustees in our candidate forum and to approve the questionnaire as amended, Bryan seconded and the motion passed. If fewer candidates than expected show for the forum more time will be allotted to those participating.

Budget, Finance and Fundraising Committee: No report.

Membership Committee: Eric and Olga will be meeting soon to discuss responsibilities.

Communications Committee: Bryan will be updating the Facebook page and Elena will send out an e-mail blast about upcoming events.

Chris Forbrich will contact the faculty advisor for the GALA group at San Antonio College to present them with SDSA's donation. He will invite them to the next membership meeting or arrange for several board members to meet with them.

Bryan reported that SAAPAC is having some financial problems and may not be able to keep its doors open. He made a motion to allocate \$20 a month to SAAPAC for the use of its meeting space, Ruby Krebs seconded. David suggested a friendly amendment to increase the amount to \$50 a month. Both Bryan and Ruby accepted David's friendly amendment. Kevin discussed the \$600 yearly commitment. The motion passed with Bryan abstaining.

Ruby shared her experience with the NE Bexar County Democrats.

Because of Fiesta Week activities in April the board voted, via e-mail, to change the dates of the board meeting and membership meeting. From now on the board meeting for the month of April will be on the first Monday of the month and the membership meeting will be on the second Monday of the month.

Bryan moved to adjourn and Chris seconded, the meeting was adjourned at 8:01 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Chris Forbrich,
Acting Secretary in Cris Ramirez's absence