

## SDSA Board Minutes

April 5, 2010

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM at Grady's Restaurant by Co-chair Elena Guajardo.

Members present: Elena Guajardo, Kevin Voelker, Eduardo Juarez, Chris Forbrich, Olga Hernandez, Cris Ramirez, Linda Allen, Peg MacPhail, Eric Alva, Ruby Krebs and Bryan Gerard

Members absent: David Plylar

Guests: Dan Graney, ex officio Co-chair and Roberto Flores, Co-chair on leave of absence.

Elena announced that we received a thank you note from SAAPAC for our contribution and a Certificate of Appreciation for our contributions to Wounded Warriors.

Treasurer's Report: Kevin presented a quarterly report and indicated that our current SDSA balance is about \$9400.

Committee Reports:

Banquet Committee: Chris reported that he and Robert met with the Airport Hilton and made a down payment to secure the venue for the annual banquet. He is looking into new trophies that are more durable and cost effective. A discussion took place on possible speakers and emcees for the event. Elena has contacted Chuck Wolfe, from the Victory Fund, as a possible speaker. He has indicated that he is available on that date. Cris suggested Linda Chavez-Thompson as a possibility. A motion was made to have Elena contact both of these people and use her discretion in finalizing the details, the motion passed. Elena asked the board to submit names of possible emcees for the event.

Endorsement Committee: Peg reported that we have received six questionnaires from school board candidates and seven have indicated that they will be attending the forum. A motion was made to contribute \$100 to each of the school board candidates that we endorse for the May 2010 election, the motion carried.

Membership Committee: Olga reported that there are currently 166 members and that she has received 61 renewals. She has sent out the quarter two renewals and quarter one reminders.

Communications: Linda reported that within the next couple of weeks she will have transferred our data base information to the TDS web site. Information will be available by chapters. The consensus of the board was that only selected board members have access to update the data base but that all other board members will have read only access. As soon as the transfer is complete Eric will begin taking over some of the membership duties and responsibilities.

A \$200 check has been donated to GALA of San Antonio College. A formal presentation will be made at the April membership meeting.

A motion was made to allow SDSA to be a \$250 sponsor of the Texas Democratic Caucus 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary reception to be held on Thursday, June 24<sup>th</sup>, in conjunction with the State Democratic Convention. The motion passed.

A motion was made to have Eduardo, Peg and David, research, develop and write a job description and guidelines for the position of LGBT Liaison. Their results will be submitted to the board sometime within the next three months. The motion carried.

Ruby announced that she would be meeting with Police Chief McManus, as a SAGA representative to discuss training with regard to transgender people.

The meeting adjourned at 8:30 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Cris Ramirez,  
Secretary