



The Alliance

March 4, 2008

BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Location: Holland Area Arts Council

President: Kimberly Romero

Present: Linda Blauwkamp, Marvin Younger, Bin Lim, Eleanor Lopez, Janie Briones, Natalie Avila, Becky Arenas

Absent: Kimberly Romero, Liz Barveld, Mary Yedinak

Visitors: Ann Weller

- **Call to order – Eleanor Lopez**
- **Review of previous minutes:** Minutes approved as corrected (includes previous minutes) – February 5, 2008
- **Treasurer's Report:** \$3,619.33 (no report given)

- **Review March meeting**
 - March 14th

Report/Discussion

- ACEH to hear contemporary Composer & poet (Langston Hughes)
- Article was in ACEH newsletter on March 8th.
- Event will begin at 6:00pm on Friday, Mar. 14th at Holland Arts Council
- Encourage members to attend since this will replace our general meeting.
- March 15th the Holland Chorale will perform Mr Hughes' music (info in the newsletter).

No follow up needed

- **Review of April meeting**
 - April 11th

Report/Discussion

- April 11th Election – 5 people are in the running.
- They are: Natalie Avila, Mary Yedinak, Jack Hyde, Norma Luna, Angela Taylor Perry.
- Speaker for April meeting will be John Johnson Highlighting Ireland, the culture, history and struggles.
- Kimberly Romero – please confirm and make arrangements with Mr Johnson

Follow up needed: Kimberly to confirm with speaker.

- **Review of May Meeting**
- May 2nd & 3rd Cinco de Mayo Fiesta
- May 20th – Summit on Racism

Report/Discussion

- No program for May general meeting planned.
- Encourage members to attend the Cinco de Mayo Fiesta.
- Natalie Avila is running for Fiesta Queen. Congratulations Natalie!
- Summit on Racism is scheduled for May 20th at Hope College. Board members were encouraged to volunteer and to attend the event.
- ACEH is a sponsor of the Summit on Racism.

No Follow up needed

- **Other Business**
 - Gary Pepe Fund

Report/Discussion

- Previous suggestions from last meeting are listed below:
- Discuss what we would do in the future with the monies still in the fund
- Suggestions include:
 - Purchasing books “In Memory of Gary Pepe”
 - Presenting a movie which would represent Mr. Pepe’s views of life and honor Gary Pepe
 - Possibility of using Knickerbocker Theatre and team with Tulipanes or other organization
 - Agreed that this should be the first order of business for new board. (fund has \$1,968.32)

Follow up: New board to work with Vicky Rosenberg

Other Business (Continued)

Report/Discussion

- Received a thank you note for flowers from Ann & Herb Weller
- Bin will visit Donna at CWIT to confirm room for April meeting. He will also take care of getting a thank you card for her.
- Herb received letter from Avelock Robinson re: brainstorming session about diversity in the High school. Any board member interested can attend on March 18th at 7:00pm north High school building.
- June general meeting may be at Jubilee Ministries building (16th & Pine) will have to check with Dave Kool to confirm meeting room.
- Linda Blauwkamp now has e-mail: wblinda@comcast.net

Follow up: Bin to visit Donna at CWIT

Next Board Meeting – Tuesday April 1, 2008 – 5:00pm
Location: Holland Area Arts Center – 150 East 8th St.