



The Alliance

April 1, 2008

BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Location: Holland Area Arts Council

President: Kimberly Romero

Present: Linda Blauwkamp, Mary Yedinak, Marvin Younger, Janie Briones, Eleanor Lopez, Bin Lim, Liz Barveld

Absent: Kimberly Romero, Natalie Avila, Becky Arenas

Visitors: Ann Weller

- **Call to order – Vice President Eleanor Lopez**
- **Review of previous minutes:** Minutes Approved
- **Treasurer's Report:** Balance \$3,318.35

- **Review Election**
 - April 11, 2008

- **Report/Discussion**
- Election at next general meeting Friday, April 11, 2008, 7 p. m at Center for Women in Transition
- Kimberly Romero has decided to resign and we will receive her resignation via email
- There will be 5 openings on the board
- The following have agreed to be nominated for 2008-2010 ACEH Board:
- Natalie Avila, Jack Hyde, Norma Luna, Angela Taylor Perry, and Mary Yedinak
- Leaving the board are Liz Barveld, Bin Lim, Eleanor Lopez, and Kim Romero
- Ann Weller will prepare ballots
- Nominations may be made from the floor

No follow up needed for election – New board will follow up with election of officers

- **CWIT Report**

Report/Discussion

- Bin Lim has been in contact with CWIT and a card of appreciation has been sent to former director Donna Cornwell
- Bin has also meet with interim director of CWIT
- There is a possibility we can still have our general meetings there
- Eleanor Lopez has been in contact with Jubilee Ministries as a meeting site – They will have a charge of \$1.00 per person charge with a \$25.00 minimum fee
- Suggestion made to contact Vanessa Greene at Hope College and Al Serrano at City Hall for possible meeting places if unable to continue meeting at Center for Women in Transition

Follow up needed

- **Review April meeting**
- **April 11, 2008**

- **Report/Discussion**
 - April 11th Election
 - Speaker John Johnson, a native of Northern Ireland, will speak on “Peace at All Costs – How to Love Your Enemy.”
 - He will highlight Ireland, the culture, history and struggles
 - Eleanor will be checking on speaker during the absence of Kim Romero who has been working to procure Mr. Johnson as our speaker.

No more follow up needed

- **Review May Meeting**
- May 2nd and 3rd – LAUP Fiesta
- May 20th – Summit on Racism

Report/Discussion

- No general meeting planned
- Encourage members to attend LAUP Fiesta
- ACEH members will meet Friday evening May 2nd - 7pm for food, fellowship and entertainment
- Natalie Avila will be running for Fiesta Queen on Saturday, May 3rd.
- Summit on Racism is scheduled on May 20th – 7:30am – 4:00pm
- Board members are encouraged to volunteer and Eleanor will email members to volunteer as well as announce dates and time of LAUP Fiesta and Summit on Racism at next general meeting

Follow up needed by Eleanor for volunteers – Summit on Racism

- **New Business**
 - June General Meeting

Report/Discussion

- Linda Blauwkamp suggested movie “Blue Eyes”.
- Suggest to check with Angela Taylor Perry for more information

Follow up needed for more suggestions and possible speakers.

- **Other Business**

Report/Discussion

- Marvin Younger discusses possibility of including membership forms in ACEH brochures
- Ann Weller will manage this project

Follow up needed

Next Board Meeting – May 6, 5:00 pm
Location: Holland Area Arts Center – 150 East 8th St.