

Mayor's Hispanic American Advisory Board Meeting Minutes

Date: May 14, 2013 at 9:00 am

Present: Mario Decunto, Javier Garcia, Patricia Solo-Josephson, Yvonne Shaffer, Rafael Caldera, Ida Gropper, Alicia Burst, and Paul Martinez

Staff Present: Betzy Santiago and Ana Andreu

Guests: Donna, SBA; Nelson Estepa, FCHCC; William Mora, FCHCC

Welcome: Paul called the meeting to order, and officially welcomed Jesus Montero to his first meeting.

Minutes Approval – No minutes were provided due to a technological issue. Minutes will be presented during the next meeting.

Fiscal Update

- The budget for fiscal year 2013-2014 has been proposed to stay at the same level of funding.
- Account Balances:
 - Mailroom: \$6.00 – no expenses
 - Miscellaneous Services and Charges: \$ 1777.00 – no expenses
 - Trust fund: \$1745.45 – no expenses

Committee Reports

- **Health, Education, Public Safety**
 - All safe at the World of Nations Celebration (WONC). A report was submitted with recommendations for next year's booth.
 - Mario and Yvonne attended the Inaugural Celebration for the Delores Barr Weaver Policy Center for Girls. An inquiry form was submitted.
 - The Guia is out. 5000 guias were printed and printing more is a possibility. They were distributed at the WONC
 - Diabetes Walk was good, and the Board had a presence.
- **Faith Based, Cultural, Special Events**
 - FCHCC/ADT
 - The ADT event is scheduled for October 11th at UNF, University Center. The FCHCC is asking MHAAB to work with them on all three areas of the event. Reviewing the applications, organizing the event and fundraising. They feel that MHAAB has not been helping enough in any of the areas. MHAAB has had presence in the event, but with no fundraising assistance. They want assistance with this area. They are asking to facilitate meetings with potential donors.
 - FCHCC do not agree that the \$40,000 donated by ATT were facilitated by the City because Mr. Estepa was the one that worked on the grant.
 - Paul explained that the liaison between the City and FCHCC would be the Public Relations Committee.
- **Government Relations, Public Relations, Business**
 - They met with the Puerto Rican Chamber on 4/21/13. Orlando Robles is the new president. They wanted help with the fees for Metro Park. The City has an ordinance of how many people are needed to man the park per event; therefore the fees can not be waived.
 - Jacksonville Children's Commission will start to advertise in Spanish for the Hispanic community.

Correspondence to and From the Mayor's Office

- Betzy Santiago discussed the process to follow on how to request the Mayor to attend an event. All requests must follow the same process. A copy of the form can be found on the City's website, coj.net.

Next Meeting

Next Mayor's Hispanic American Advisory Board Meeting will be on 6/11/13 at 9:00 a.m.

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