



**Mesa LTD Board Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, August 24th, 2010
Mesa Chamber of Commerce**

Attendance

Present: Perla Anderson, Leo Archer, Cheryl Crame, Kay Henry, Laura Hyneman, Mary Larsen, Bill Norton, Diane Selleck, Sophia Tesch

Absent (Excused): Lori Burke, Theresa Jepsen, Cindy Porter, Kathy Romano, Ruthann Tryon,

Guest: Manny Espinoza

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 6:40 p.m. by Chair Laura Hyneman.

Approval of 7/27/10 Board Meeting Minutes

Motion was made by Cheryl Crame and seconded by Diane Selleck to approve the 7/27/10 Board Meeting minutes as submitted. Motion carried unanimously.

Treasurer's Report and August Expenses

Perla presented the August expenses in the amount of \$2,652.39. A motion was made by Sophia Tesch to approve, seconded by Laura Hyneman. Motion carried unanimously.

Perla noted a discrepancy in the billing from the caterer for August. The bill was \$50 more than quoted. Laura will contact the caterer to get clarification.

If you haven't paid your dues yet, please submit to Perla as soon as possible.

Manny Espinoza

Guest Manny Espinoza, current President of the Mesa Association of Hispanic Citizens (MAHC), provided information on the upcoming 6th Annual East Valley Minority and Small Business Reception and Symposium to be held September 16 & 17 at Southwest Ambulance, 708 W. Baseline. Consideration was given to MLTD having a table at the event this year and possibly having it staffed. Manny will check to see if there is a charge for a table this year.

Manny provided background and history on the Alston House in Mesa as well as the continuing efforts by MAHC and the MLK Committee to renovate the home. Although the renovations have been successful, there are still many items needed to complete the project. Manny provided a list and suggested the possibility of the becoming a MLTD class project.

1st Class Debriefing

Leo reported the first class session went well. The flash drives were a big hit. There was a lot of interaction and some members were already discussing class project possibilities.

Some negative feedback was received on the length of some of the presentations and Board introductions, and the poor quality of the food served.

Leo also reported the dinner went well but it was disappointing that no city officials could attend.

Class 2011 Mentor Assignments

Randomly drawn mentor assignments occurred. Each member has two mentees. It was suggested that an email or phone call be made to the mentors as soon as possible, as much of the confusion and questions occur during the first couple of months.

Class of 2011 Tours - Update

Lori has set up two class tours so far: Mesa Channel 11 tour, September 14th, 5-6:00 p.m. and House of Refuge, November 12, 2-3:00 p.m.

Ellen Granillo (Class of 2011) who works for East Valley Adult Resources (EVAR - formerly Mesa Senior Services) requested that EVAR be re-added to the tour list (for some reason it fell off the tour list).

Alumni/Community Events (ACE) Update

The ACE Committee held their first meeting on August 18th. Bill read a draft email he plans to send to the alumni to generate interest in reconnecting with MLTD.

Bill handed out drafts of the "special event" tickets for the mini-fundraiser. The suggested cost would be \$15 each or two for \$25. He will be getting some quotes on printing.

ABC Fundraiser plans were discussed focusing on a Mardi Gras type event on February 10th. Sophia provided a mock up of a flyer using the Mardi Gras theme. Ruthann will check with her contact at MAC for the venue. Many other suggestions were tossed around as to theme, venue, catering, etc. and will be discussed in more detail at the next ACE Committee Meeting.

Placement Chair Update

Sophia will begin working on board opportunities for class members. She has requested that all Board Members send her a list of their current board commitments.

Past Chair Update

Kay advised that the 2010 holiday party has been scheduled for December 9th at Pat Esparza's house.

Kay continues work on the business cards and will be getting printing quotes soon.

Social Chair Update

Diane is looking for different caterers as the current caterer is not working out. The current amount budgeted for breakfast and lunch for the classes is around \$500. If you know of a caterer who can work within that amount, let Diane know.

Adjournment

With a motion from Leo and a second from Bill, the meeting adjourned at 8:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Cheryl Crame
Secretary