

NALIP BOD Meeting Thursday March 6, 2008 – Dana Point, California

Present: Maria Agui Carter, Beni Matías, Vangie Griego, Jose Martinez, Frances Negrón, Elaine Romero, Porfirio Pina, Neyda Luz Martinez

Absent: Rick Ramirez, Moctesuma Esparza, David Ortiz, Alexis Garcia, Evy Ledesma Galan, Margarita De la Vega-Hurtado, Flavio Morales, Bernardo Ruiz

Staff: Kathryn Galan, Octavio Marin, Elvida Rogers, Maura K. Concannon

Call to Order 7:45 pm

1. MOTION by Jose Martinez to approve the Agenda; second by Griego. Vote: Unanimous
2. MOTION by Vangie Griego to approve the December minutes; second by Nedy Martinez. Vote: Unanimous approval.
3. INTRODUCTIONS of new staff, including Elivda Rogers, Director of Development and Maura Concannon, Membership Coordinator. Introduction of new Board members. Announcement of Jose Martinez's retirement from the Board of Directors and joining Board of Trustees. Margarita de la Vega on a one quarter leave of absence for medical reasons.
4. ELECTIONS: MOTION by Jose Martinez nominating Beni Matias to a third term as Chair; second by Pina. VOTE: Unanimous

MOTION by Beni Matias nominating Neyda Martinez as vice chair; second by Negrón VOTE: Unanimous.

MOTION by Jose Martinez nominating Elaine Romero to replace him as secretary; second by Agui Carter. VOTE : Unanimous.

MOTION by Frances Negrón nominating Evy Ledesma Galan for a renewed term as treasurer; second by Griego. VOTE: Unanimous.

MOTION by Vangie Griego that the three At-large Executive Committee members remain Moctesuma Esparza, David Ortiz and Frances Negrón; second by Elaine Romero. VOTE: Unanimous.

5. Conference 9 REPORT: Galan and Marin reported on attendance and expense figure. A review will be necessary, post-Conference, to evaluate the programmatic changes.

New program elements include full day ActorFest in association with Back Stage Magazine, plus Showcases for actors, comics and bands. Conference 10

should showcase the LPA Fellows, and collaborate with other organizations seeking top emerging talent.

6. Development: LWL to reach out to each of the major agencies for underwriting – ICM (Nick Reed), CAA (Christy Haubegger), Endeavor, WMA (Jose Martinez to help) and Gersh – through the social responsibility departments of each agency. Rogers submitted development/fundraising report.
7. PROGRAMS: LPA and LWL are moving to Santa Fe. Support of the Film Office and government. Developing new partners. “Doing your Doc” to do 3-4 more sessions in 2008, including Tucson. Pina suggests a partner to bring the program to Dominican Republic and maybe Puerto Rico. NALIP wants to build recognition by maturing filmmakers that were nurtured through our programs such as LPA. BOD members to pitch funding opportunities for programs. Maybe add new Signature Program, for Latino Artist Mentoring (The LAM?)
8. CONFERENCE 10: contract not yet signed, pending negotiations with presenting sponsor(s). Southern California locations reviewed, including Palm Springs and Newport Beach. Negrón and Ortiz elected co-chairs; developing a list of potential industry co-chairs and committee members to be discussed at June Board meeting along with themes, etc.. Note to include Spanish language elements in the program.
9. MEMBERSHIP/CHAPTERS: Concannon is reaching out to new and expired members, plus redoubling reminders about memberships soon to expire. New Chapter materials to be reviewed by Agui Carter and de la Vega, along with staff, incorporating feedback from next day’s membership meeting.
10. ADVOCACY: Report deferred due to Esparza illness.
11. STRATEGIC PLAN: Romero and de la Vega to review, edit and recommend draft for Final report
12. BOARD CONTRACT: To review in executive session, direct staff to amend, then distribute to all members, new and old, to execute for 2008.

10:30 pm MOTION TO ADJOURN. Executive Session set for March 7, 2:00 pm, Presidential Suite.

Submitted by Maura K. Concannon and Kathryn Galan