

MIAMI-DADE COUNTY
OFFICE OF THE CHAIR
HISPANIC AFFAIRS ADVISORY BOARD
BOARD MEETING
JULY 16, 2013
6:00PM

LA PORTENA RESTAURANT
8520 SW 8 ST.
MIAMI, FLORIDA

MINUTES

PRESENT:

Xiomara Casado
Magali Abad
Lyse Cuellar-Vidal
Christina Gomez-Pina
Yvelice Gonzalez
Jorge N. Iglesias
Edilfa E. Perez
Armando Rodriguez
Vivian Rosado

EXCUSED:

Abbie Cuellar
Felipe Villaraus

HAAB Chairwoman Lyse Cuellar-Vidal opened the meeting at 6:15 p.m. She welcomed and thanked the members for attending the meeting. The meeting was held at La Portena Restaurant 8520 SW 8 St. Miami, Florida.

HAAB Chairwoman Lyse Cuellar-Vidal explained that today is the most important day of the year for her and HAAB Members. More than holding a meeting, she wanted to celebrate HAAB's Director Maria Lazo's retirement. All of you know that today will be the last meeting that we will have with Ms. Lazo. Yes, we know that her replacement has been chosen already, but no one will be able to fit on Ms. Lazo's shoes. We have been working with her for various years and Ms. Lazo has never given us a negative response. She is always willing to do the necessary to get the task at hand done in the most professional way. She is always happy and she is able to master whatever task is assigned to her in an excellent manner. Therefore, I want to ask all of the board members to please review the meeting agenda and the minutes of the June 11th Meeting and to make a motion to approve them. After we approve the meeting agenda and the June Meeting Minutes, I would like to adjourn the meeting and get into the celebration spirit with Ms. Lazo.

All HAAB Members agreed with Chairwoman Cuellar-Vidal that after approving the meeting agenda and the June Meeting Minutes the meeting should be adjourned.

Board Member Magali Abad moved to approve the Meeting Agenda. Board Member Xiomara Casado seconded the motion and the motion passed.

Board Member Jorge Iglesias moved to approve the June 11, 2013 Meeting Minutes. Board Member Vivian Rosado seconded the motion and the motion passed.

HAAB Director Maria Lazo informed HAAB Members that Ms. Natalie Milian the incoming board director may be attending the meeting. She is tied up at the BCC Meeting, but as soon as the meeting ends, she will be coming to the meeting.

Board Chairwoman Lyse Cuellar Vidal asked HAAB Members to make a great effort to attend the September 10, 2013 Board Meeting. It is very important to lend support to the new Director Ms. Natalie Milian. She has to learn a lot of things and HAAB Members must help her, teach her and guide her, so that she feels at home.

Chairwoman Cuellar-Vidal moved to adjourn the meeting so that they could celebrate with Maria. HAAB Members unanimously seconded and the motion passed.

Meeting adjourned at 6:35 p.m.

Maria Lazo
Recorder

