Memorandum

MIAMI-DADE COUNTY

Date: August 21, 2012

To: Honorable Esteban Bovo, Jr.
County Commissioner, District 13

From: Carlos A. Gimenez
Mayor

Subject: Appointment to the Film and Entertainment Advisory Board

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As per the ordinance governing the Film and Entertainment Advisory Board, each Commissioner may appoint one member to represent them on the board, and your seat is currently vacant.

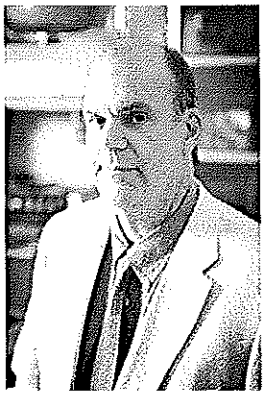
Therefore, I am requesting that you make an appointment to fill the vacancy. For your consideration, James Stamatis has expressed an interest in being appointed. Mr. Stamatis is an Emmy Award winning executive with over 30 years of experience in the television industry. Mr. Stamatis is currently the Vice President of Production and Studio Operations for Telemundo Television Studios, an NBC Universal company, based in Miami, Florida.

For your convenience, a copy of Mr. Stamatis' bio and CV is attached.

Should you have any questions or require further information, please contact Jack Osterholt, Deputy Mayor/Director at 305-375-5695, or me directly.

Attachments

c: Jack Osterholt, Deputy Mayor/Director, Department of Regulatory and Economic Resources (RER)
Mario E. Goderich, Assistant Director, Business Affairs (RER)
Dimitrios Jimmy Nares, Economic Development & International Trade (RER)
Sandy Lighterman, Film and Entertainment Industries Liaison (RER)



James Stamatis
Biography

Emmy Award-winning executive, James Stamatis, has worked at the forefront of the television industry for over 30 years. His extensive management experience includes all facets of studio operations, production, post-production, satellite and cable technology as well as broad international operations experience.

Mr. Stamatis is currently the Vice President of Production and Studio Operations for Telemundo Television Studios an NBC Universal company, based in Miami, Florida. He is responsible for Telemundo's operations at multiple facilities, engineering, warehouses, security, production and post-production processes, along with its international operations in Colombia & Mexico. Stamatis also owns an independent television consulting firm, Digital Electronic Solutions (DES), where he advises an impressive roster of clients worldwide, including the Home Shopping network, G2 Television, USA Interactive, Sky Latin America, Stocktalk.com, Abekas-UK, Voss & Partners-Germany and Grass Valley Group-UK & Germany.

Mr. Stamatis is recognized in the television industry for his ability to: design and implement innovative business strategies that evolve with client and company needs; develop top-caliber personnel at every level of an organization and achieve production success; meet or surpass all profit, revenue and production goals in a fiercely competitive market. James Stamatis holds degrees in both business and computer science and is an active member of the National Association of Broadcasters.

JAMES STAMATIS

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PROFILE:

Expert manager of television studio, production, post-production facilities and personnel:

- Manage a staff of over 200 creative and technical personnel.
- Manage a multi million dollar operations and capital budget.
- Conduct technical and business negotiations with vendors and equity partners.
- International experience in business operations and management.
- Extensive knowledge of studio ops, production, post-production, satellite and cable technology.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE:

2005-Present *Vice President of Studio and Production Operations*
TELEMUNDO TELEVISION STUDIOS - NBCU, Miami, Florida

- Manage daily operations for Telemundo Studios including studios, production, facilities, engineering, warehouse, security and post-production.
- Budget and capital planning.
- Manage multiply departments with between 200-250 employees.
- Manage international operations for Colombia & Mexico.
- Promoted to VP from Director June 2009.
- Added production to responsibilities in 2012.

1998 to 2005 *Director of Production, Post & Events*
SKY LATIN AMERICA/DIRECTV, Miami Lakes, Florida

- Manage daily operations for Creative Services including production, post and events.
- Executive producer for live or taped events for all sports, interactive shows, and concerts.
- Serve as Director of Events for the Programming department, overseeing events both locally and with partner countries across Latin America.
- Set-up and operationalized the Production Department, including need assessment for a staff of 40 creative and technical personnel.
- Act as Director of On-Air with regards to event channels promotions and graphics.
- Evaluated, selected, negotiated, designed and integrated all production equipment for Production, Post- Production and Creative Services. Supervised construction of Miami Lakes facilities.

1996 to Present *Television Consultant*
DES, Miami, Florida

- Consulting services included Studio, production and post-production technical planning, event coordination, budgeting, facilities construction and staffing.

Clients included: Home Shopping network, USA Interactive, Sky Latin America, 5th Avenue Channel, Stocktalk.com, Miami Broadcast Center, Edefx Post Production, Molinare-U.K., Abekas-UK, Voss & Partners-Germany and Grass Valley Group-UK & Germany.

1995–1996 ***Director of Post-Production***
WHITE HAWK PICTURES, Jacksonville, Florida

- Managed post-production and graphics personnel.
- Supervised bidding and project management on all large projects.
- Designed and built component digital editing room.

1993–1995 ***Director of Operations***
MULTIVISIO, Johannesburg, South Africa

- Managed 15 person staff and facility operations, including sales, marketing, technical operations, editing, graphics and audio.
- Supervised on-location shoot for clients involving complex blue screen and visual efx.
- Acted as client liaison, handling bids and project negotiations for larger accounts.
- Designed and built telecine and audio facilities.

1985–1993 ***Video Compositor/Editor for following companies:***

- MOLINARE, Madrid, Spain
- REALTIME VIDEO PRODUCTIONS, San Francisco, California
- NBC, Summer Olympics (1988), Seoul, Korea
- SOUTHERN PRODUCTIONS, Nashville, Tennessee
- WDCN, PBS Television, Nashville, Tennessee
- QUADRAFONIC SOUND STUDIO, Nashville, Tennessee

LANGUAGES: English and Business Spanish

EDUCATION:

- Belmont College, Nashville Tennessee - Major: Business - 1981-1985
- Norwalk St. Tech College, Norwalk Ct - Major: Computer Science - 1979-1981
- Fairfield College Preparatory School, Fairfield Ct - High School - 1975-1979

PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS:

- Miami CRA, Media Center Task Force 2010-2011
- Member NAB since 1988

AWARDS:

- Awarded Loire for 'Best Editor' "BMW 540 Launch," 1994, Johannesburg, South Africa
- Awarded Two National Emmys for Promotions, 1988 Summer Olympics, Seoul, Korea
- 'Best Editor, Long Format' Finalist at Int'l Monitors Awards, 1993, New York, NY
- Awarded Northern California Emmy for :30 "Water" PSA, 1989, San Francisco, CA
- Co-Chairman for 1993 & 1994 Int'l Monitor Awards, New York, NY