

**Meeting Minutes****Sunday, September 17, 2017****Canoga Park, CA****Meeting Called to Order:**

The regular meeting of the US/Mexico Sister-Cities Association was called to order at 10:15 am.

**Roll Call**-Present President-Jeff Failing, Vice-President-Connie Goertz, Secretary-Denise Juarez, Treasurer-Tony Gonzalez, Immed. Past President-George Barks Directors: David Angelo, Don Goertz, Frank Barraza(Excused), Toni Cervantes, Damaris Gonzalez(Excused), Delia Nevarez, Jose-Luis Rodriguez, Steve Sampley, Linda Martinez (Excused)

**Directors @ Large:** Aida Lerma (Excused), Randy Lewis, Annie Mundia, Ralph Mundia, Armando Juarez (Excused), Gus Guevara (Excused), **Guest:** Gloria Gonzalez, Linda Lewis, Sandy Sampley, Antonia Rodriguez, Esperanza Angelo, and Sergio Cazares

**Distribution of Agenda**

**Approval of Minutes:** Minutes were Presented by Secretary Denise Juarez, and a motion to accept report was made by Tony Gonzalez and was seconded by Ralph Mundia and the motion was carried unanimously.

**Treasurers & Budget Report:**

Treasures Report were Presented by Tony Gonzalez

Checking Account:	\$25075.24
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Savings Account:	\$5,229.06
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Total Assets	\$30804.30
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BBQ Report:

Income	\$3280.00
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Expenses	\$1005.00
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Profit	\$2275.00
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A motion to accept report was made by Connie Goertz and was seconded by Randy Lewis and the motion was carried unanimously.

**Presidents Report:** President Jeff Failing gave a brief over view of Bob Perez was brought up again, in regards to his Suspension. It was explained that all that Bob had to do to be reinstated to the board is to present his letter of good standings. It was noted that Bob did send a copy to George Barks, and George did present it and it was a blurry copy and a very bad quality and a request was going to be made to Bob to send to either Jeff or Connie.

Jeff noted that Bob had asked and expressed concerns that why was his city officials called, and this was not normal operating procedures, it was noted that

his City Officials were not called but Dan Costley (Staff Liaison) was contacted to help retrieve Letter of Good Standing. Which is a normal operating practice.

**Committee Chairs:**

- **Membership**-Plan in place to work on creating new packets on membership, and creating a new format, of what USMSCA has to offer. Focus on getting our old Cities to return and work with other states as well.
- **Car Show**-Jeff is working on last Saturday of October. October 28, 2017 no locations has been determined. Jeff will have provided more information at next meeting. He is still planning car show with Pico Rivera
- **BBQ**-August 13, 2017, George Barks let us know that the Hall will be charging us a Cleaning Fee of \$125.00.

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This was great and meets the budget for the 4 scholarships of \$500.00 each to be given out this year.

- **Conference**-CMSC have been paid in full. Posted on website, and speakers already getting prepared. Updates to come.
- **Retreat**-Tropicana, Laughlin, NV has already been paid in full. We have room for all 3 days. Friday will be a mixer, Saturday all day planning session, and Sunday morning meeting.
- **Scholarship**-We gave packet at BBQ, this way any youths there will have the first chance for the scholarships we will be giving out 4-\$500.00 scholarships.
- **Bylaws and Standing Rules**-Connie will be working with Randy to get these ready for upcoming retreat.

**Appointments:** Jeff asked for the appointment of Sergio Cazares to be a Director. A motion to accept report was made by Tony Gonzalez and was seconded by Jose Luis Rodriguez and the motion was carried unanimously.

New Business: Delia Nevarez mention that we needed to have additional fundraisers and she suggested that we have an annual raffle. Everyone agreed and a motion to make Delia Nevarez-Chair and Tony Cervantes Co-Chair by Denise Juarez and second be Steve Sampley and the motion was carried unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 2:05 pm.

Next Board meeting will be January 19, 2018  
Downey, CA