

Gainesville Hispanic Committee Meeting Minutes

June 12, 2001

Members present:

Greg Bautista, Janeth Ochoa, Sonia Magana, Olga Chavez, Cindy Bryant, Cynthia Purcell-Rios, Beatriz Maursberg, Claudia Oliveros, Deborah Marshall, Haydee Anderson, Gustavo Lobo, & Jimmy Hernandez.

Executive Committee Nominations:

The meeting was called to order by Deborah Marshall. Executive Committee Nominations were held. The following individuals were nominated and elected to the Executive Committee:

President-Greg Bautista
Vice President-Homero Lopez
Treasurer-Adriana Infante
Secretary-Cynthia Purcell-Rios
Parliamentarian-Cindy Bryant

The Hispanic Committee Democratic Election Protocol was used to guide the election. Each member received 9 of 13 votes cast. Four votes were cast out as they were for individuals who were not on the ballot after the ballot was closed.

Jimmy Hernandez suggested that the new Executive Committee meet with the existing committee to evaluate the strengths and weaknesses of the Hispanic Committee's current goals. The Executive Committee will meet once per month and the Hispanic Committee will meet once per month.

Deborah Marshall stated that there has been a transition in the committee from the focus on the U.S. Census to the goals of developing a mission statement, bylaws, and logo.

Heidi Anderson praised the diversity in the new executive committee and hopes that the committee can focus on different cultures working together. She suggested professional development seminars for committee members to keep the organization growing.

Multicultural Art Exhibition Committee Report (see attached):

The goal of the Multicultural Art Exhibition is integration - to create a bridge between the cultures. All Boys and Girls Club participants will receive a certificate. The committee voted to give a first prize of \$50.00 to the Logo design chosen, \$30.00 as a second prize, and \$20.00 for third prize. The remainder of the prize monies will be distributed among the participants as scholarship money. The committee discussed approaching Gainesville Bank and Trust and Banco Familiar to see about creating

accounts for the children's scholarship money to be deposited into. The possibility of opening the accounts for the children on site was discussed.

A reception for the children will be held at the Boys and Girls Club on Thursday, July 12th at 6:00 p.m. The pictures will be displayed at the Lakeshore Mall on Saturday, July 14th and Sunday, July 15th. There are several committees that need volunteers:

Hanging and Taking Down Pictures at Lakeshore Mall: July 13, 2001 and July 16, 2001.
Judging: July 11, 2001
Reception: July 12, 2001

Please see the attachment and contact Cynthia Purcell-Rios at (770) 534-3337 if you would like to sign up to help! Heidi Anderson of Mexico Lindo has volunteered to take pictures of the children at the reception.

Goodbye Luncheon for Father Jorge:

A goodbye luncheon for Padre Jorge Christancho is planned for Monday, June 18th at 12:00 noon at Ryan's, 2415 Browns Bridge Road. The lunch buffet will be \$6.93 plus tax. Cynthia Purcell-Rios will present Padre Jorge with a going away gift on behalf of the Gainesville Hispanic Committee.

Meeting Reminder:

The next Gainesville Hispanic Committee Meeting will be on Thursday, July 5th, 2001 at 12:00 noon at the Community Service Center Building.