

Friends of Niños Meeting Minutes Sept 13, 2016 , Via Telephone Conference

Meeting called to order by Albright at 9:10 CDT

Present, Albright, Culligan, Lindblom, Neal, Dehart, Moe, Wenrich, Shea , Tullos Absent: Leighton, Romain, Ellis

Welcome : New Board member Sue Dehart

Approval of minutes of May 4 meeting. Motion to approve, Shea Second Wenrich; Passed

Old Business

Financial Review: Tom Culligan presented the August 31 Balance Sheet and Albright presented an updated budget/forecast as of March 31 for the fiscal year 2016/17. Motion to accept, Moe Second, Shea; Passed

February Fundraiser dinner: A follow-up status via email to board members will be requested of Romain

Fall Fundraiser Letter: Albright reported plans to repeat last year's format with the addition of a short significant "heart string" story. Production and mailing is on schedule for end of October.

Newsletter Update: Lindblom solicited input for the next issue which all agreed should be targeted to this Fall.

Irene Sheahen/Other Scholarships: Shea reported that, Jacqueline Veronica Gallardo has been awarded this year's Irene Sheahen scholarship. Shea also recommended the establishment of a new scholarship in memory of, Nick August to be funded initially for four years by donations from family and friends of Nick August. The scholarship will be a onetime award of \$500 to the graduating high school senior with the highest GPA who has enrolled to attend college at UT Petatlan. Motion to accept, Dehart, Second, Wenrich; Passed

English Classes: Ellis submitted via email that the Feb sponsor taught classes are a go. The Karhoffs and Diglios have signed up as teachers and Carol Wenrich has offered her help and involvement. There remains some uncertainty about whether or not the Yarnells will there to help this year but Ellis is following up on their plans.

New Business

Review/Approve By-Law Change: Albright reviewed the proposed changes prepared by Moe (see attached). Motion to accept, Wenrich, Second Shea; Passed.

Nominations, Elections: Albright read an introduction of Ruth Johnson, a potential Board member who has been invited to attend our Feb meeting to meet our members and to gain an understanding of our Board business.

Sponsor Update: Albright stated the new school year transition is still unsettled but the Sponsor/Student count should come in around 215.

Next Meeting: February 12, 2017 following the Breakfast

Move to adjourn at 9:40 . Shea, Second, Culligan; Passed

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