



NAHJ CHICAGO BOARD MEETING

Saturday, February 25, 2017

Called to order at 10:05 am.

I. Board Welcome

The board discussed the success of the January Nuevo Comienzo. It was decided that a recap video would be edited using footage shot by an NBC videographer.

There was one committee update presented. The social media committee will become vacant in March when Yvette Cruz steps down to pursue a new job in Salt Lake City.

II. New Business

The State of the Media Facebook Live event will take place on March 22nd at 12:30 pm. The board discussed a number of potential and some committed panelists. It was agreed that Teri Arvesu, News Director and Univision, should be the moderator.

An NAHJ job fair is scheduled for May 13th at DePaul University. DePaul is only able to provide a number of adjacent rooms to host the job fair at no cost to NAHJ. One room will be dedicated to Latin-X organization, DePaul's NAHJ chapter. The job fair will open 30 minutes early exclusively for DePaul students and Latin-X members. The idea of charging a fee to larger organizations participating in the job fair was also proposed.

The funding that the NAHJ Chicago board sought from the McCormick Foundation to research and identify what newsrooms are doing to hire and retain Latinos is being delayed. Changes within the management team of the McCormick Foundation caused the board's request for funding to slip through the cracks. The board will re-submit the grant proposal.

The spring mixer to be held in conjunction with the NABJ, AAJA and NLGJA will take place on April 4th at the Front Bar of the Steppenwolf Theater. The board decided to buy appetizers and offer a cash bar during the event.

III. Other Business

The treasurer acknowledged the large amount of petty cash on hand. The board decided to keep \$500 of petty cash and return the difference to the National office.

IV. Wrap Up

The board decided to send out an email announcing Yvette Cruz's departure from the board and the availability of her seat. Nominations are being accepted and an appointment is expected to be made in the near future.



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The next meeting will be an open meeting on March 25th. The board decided to ask NBC to host the meeting.

Meeting was adjourned at 11:08 am.