

Los Ninos de Chapala y Ajijic, A.C.

Minutes of Meeting held November 16, 2010

The meeting was called to order at 10:15 a.m. at the office in Chapala. In attendance were Bill Friend, Belle Arnold, Pat Percival, Doug Friend, Patricia Proudfoot, Bing Munroe and Lois Gowers

To a question by Bing Munroe, it was confirmed that minutes are not entered on the Internet until they have been approved by the Board at the following meeting.

Bing Munroe moved the minutes of the meeting held October 25th 2010 be accepted. Pat Percival seconded. Carried.

1. Introduction of the new office secretary

The newly hired Office Secretary wished to start work after November 15th. There were 5 applicants for the job, 3 ladies and 2 men. The men eventually withdrew their applications. Salary is 40 pesos/hour plus IMSS and the benefit under it. There will be a 3 month probationary period for the successful applicant.

2. NCA – ANIKAN Event

Posters have been distributed. Ticket sales only began recently so there is no count on the number of tickets sold. An advertisement was placed in the Guadalajara Reporter by Doug Friend and Jeanne Chaussee will be asked to advertise the event next week. Everyone was asked to inform their friends of this Fund Raiser. Members of ANIKAN will be selling tickets and they will also be sold at LCS and Super Lake.

Plans are in the works to have NCA children speak at the event. Belle has a family in mind who has 3 children who have benefited from our Program.

The new office secretary, Lara, suggested a table at the Art Show at the Cultural Centre in Ajijic for Saturday and Sunday. Agreed to have a table, to provide brochures and sell tickets.

NCA has been asked to participate in the parade for Chili Cook-off. A truck will be needed and Pat Moir has offered hers. The banner that is presently at the office in Chapala will be used. Bill asked Pat Percival to handle the Chili Cook-off.

3. 2012 Golf Tournament - Report not available

4. Swenik Account and other legal/accounting issues

Bill Friend reported he has been in contact with our lawyers and accountants and said that we need to meet with them to first confirm with IJAS that our books and reports are now complete and up-to-date and then confirm with them that the balance of the Swenik account will be released to us.

5. Ojo and LCR Articles

Pat Moir will write an article for the magazine. The long term hope is to provide information on a regular basis to be published. The closing date for the Ojo is the 15th of the month, for the Review it is the 1st of the month.

6. Treasurer's Report

The Bank Balance for the end of October is \$127,769 pesos. The skin Doctors donated \$14,550 pesos on November 10th. Belle mentioned that there has been a difference of \$30,000p between what the bank was reporting and our figure. She has been able to find all but \$1,000p of that difference.

Thrift Shop pesos are reported separately on Financial Statements.

7. Pat Percival reported that the Rotary turned down the request to sponsor tutoring for the students. She was advised by the Rotary that NCA should resubmit a request for a general donation.

Lake Chapala Society will expand the space we have there to accommodate tutoring. English Language classes at the American Legion are available to NCA students at 11 a.m. on Saturdays.

Computers are still available in the Chapala office for students. A few children come in to use the computers.

The mothers are making plans for the Christmas Posada for Ajijic/Chapala students for December 18th at 3 p.m. They would like the Board to provide candies for the children. Sponsors and families are invited. Christmas packages will be considered if we have the funds. A decision will be made at the next meeting.

Bill Friend is to ask our lawyer where we stand with the annual Audit. It is usually done at the end of the fiscal year which is February.

Bill Friend will poll members of the Board regarding a date and place for upcoming Board meetings.

Bing Munroe moved the meeting adjourn.

The meeting adjourned at 12:00 p.m.

Patricia Proudfoot, Secretary

