



THE CITY OF SAN DIEGO
International Affairs Board

Meeting Minutes:
September 21, 2010
9:00 a.m.

Economic Growth Services
202 C Street, 4th Floor
San Diego, CA 92101
(619) 236-6330

Present: Cath De Stefano Gloria Cazares Donovan Geiger Patricia Reeve	Present: Jaalin Cheng Deborah Flores Fred Raafat Pamela Thorsch	Unexcused: Daniel Abbott Walter Lam Ileana Ovalle Elizabeth Robles Jason Walls	Guests: David Edick, Jr. Kathleen Roche-Tansey City Staff: Lydia Moreno Adrienne Turner
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Call to Order: Cath De Stefano @ 9:05am

Cath De Stefano welcomed the guest speaker and thanked him for his sponsorship.

Guest Speaker: Robert Nadalin (The Law Offices of)
International Breakfast Sponsor

Mr. Nadalin specializes in Immigration law and described the complexities and individual issues people face when applying for U.S. Immigration. The economic benefits of hiring immigrants were discussed. The Federal law has not changed in 14 years, leading to some States passing their own laws, even though Federal law can overrule. Mr. Nadalin answered several questions from Board members.

Approval of Minutes:

August minutes approved by three (3) members via email (Cath De Stefano, Fred Raafat, Patricia Reeve).

MOTION: It was moved to Approve the minutes of the August 17, 2010 meeting as presented.

The Motion carried (4-4) Cath De Stefano, Fred Raafat, Donovan Geiger, Patricia Reeve approving, and Gloria Cazares, Jaalin Cheng, Deborah Flores, Pamela Thorsch abstaining.

Cath requested members approve by email if possible.

Committee Reports:

- **Website Finalization: Donovan Reports**
 - IAB webpage update – need to launch ASAP. Pending items can be added later.
 - Add International Breakfast Information to homepage

- **International Breakfast Planning:**

- Venue: Hall of Nations, **hosted by House of Italy**. Donovan recently attended an event with seating for approximately 100.
- Donovan will bring laptop, arrange AV system in conjunction with House of Italy. Podium and screen available.
- A slide show including Sponsor information could be shown on the screen, also names of organizations attending the event.
- Cath will contact an Italian accordion player for “roving” background music.
- Cath had contacted speaker, Lalit N. Acharya, working with him on theme of speech.
- The Mayor is confirmed to give opening remarks (coord. by Lydia), approx. 8:30 am.
- Nancy Nicholson from the World Trade Center will make some remarks
- Postcard invitations were mailed on September 17th. Pat Reeve noted that the full Board had not reviewed the invitations and the IAB was not listed on the front side.
- RSVPs: Lydia had received a check for \$40 (4). A check for \$10 received at mtg.
- Catering: Donovan had not received any response from two international caterers. It was agreed to go with Fairouz Café. Check if they provide plates, utensils, napkins.
- Table cloths – Lydia to check with her source
- Beverages: Need coffee, tea, juice and water. Lydia to check Starbucks connection.
- Patricia confirmed U.N. flags/centerpieces will be provided by World Affairs Council
- One board member should be seated at each table
- Head table to include Mayor, Speaker, Sponsors, Cath: tent name cards on table.
- Registration table can be set up outside front door – covered patio area.
- Name tags (adhesive) were delivered to Cath by Lydia.
- Sharpe pens available at registration table.
- Handouts plus applications for board membership available at registration table
- Signage: Lydia to coordinate
- IAB Banner
- Board needs to access building evening before event to set up room. Meet at 5:00 pm.
- Timeline needed for day of event.

Chairs Report: Cath De Stefano thanked the Board members for all their help and support in planning the International Breakfast.

Announcements: Next month’s regular meeting time and place changed for Breakfast setup.

Adjournment: Cath De Stefano adjourned the meeting at 10:18 am

Next Meeting: **October 19, 2010 @ 5:00 pm**
Breakfast set up
Hall of Nations, Balboa Park
San Diego, CA 92101

If unable to attend meeting, call Lydia Moreno at 619.236.6320 or email at lmoreno@sandiego.gov
