



THE CITY OF SAN DIEGO  
INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS BOARD

Meeting Minutes  
April 10, 2014

Economic Development

1200 Third Avenue, 14<sup>th</sup> Floor, Large Conference Room, San Diego, CA 92101 - 619.236.6364

<b>Present:</b> Roberto Alcantar Deborah Flores John Galt Donovan Geiger	<b>Present:</b> Rebecca Morales Bob Morris Patricia Waller	<b>Excused:</b> Bruce Abrams Mark Leo Pamela Thorsch <b>Unexcused:</b> Alfonso Hernandez	<b>Guests:</b> Emiliano Aragon Suzie Ditmars Mark Barrera Rubina Mcnaub(sp) Holly Hughes
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**Mayoral Staff:** Don Giaquinto  
**City Economic Development Staff:** Adrienne Turner, Lydia Moreno

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**Call to Order:** Vice Chair, Donovan Geiger @ 4:05 p.m.

**Introductions:** The new members of the board, confirmed by Council on March 25, 2014, introduced themselves followed by the continuing members introductions.

**Approval of Minutes:** The February 13, 2014 minutes were approved

**Guest Speaker:** Dr. Ina von Ber, President & CEO, The Ambassadorial Roundtable. Dr. von Ber gave a PowerPoint presentation and described the history, mission and activities of the organization. Also, discussed was The World Diplomatic Forum 2014 being held at the UCSD Rady School of Management on May 8 and 9, 2014. Following the presentation, Dr. von Ber answered a number of questions from the Board.

**Action Items:**

- a. Review Certificate of Recognition process: Vetting and Application for Recommendation form. Due to the length of the presentation and questions, this item was tabled for a future date to be determined following directions from the new mayor's administration.

**Discussion Items:**

- a. Review of IAB Bylaws  
Each member of the board was given a copy of the Bylaws. Due to time constraints, there was no discussion.
- b. Volunteers for the executive committee: Chair, Vice-Chair, Secretary/Treasurer.  
Per the Bylaws, during March of each year, the Mayor may designate one member as Chair, however, in the absence of such designation, the Board shall, on or after April 15, select from among its members a Chair. Bob Morris volunteered to participate, however, due to time constraints the item was tabled for the May meeting.

- c. Meeting day and time most convenient for members  
The members decided to stay with the second Thursday of the month but to change the time so the meeting would start at 2:00 p.m. In addition, it was decided to lengthen the meeting to 90 minutes.
- d. Invite Mayor Faulconer to a future meeting to discuss direction of the IAB and international affairs development within our community.  
Not discussed due to time constraints.
- e. Objectives for Speaker Presentations: Creation of “IAB Speaker Series”  
Not discussed due to time constraints.

**Board Chair Report: None**

**Announcements:** Don Giaquinto informed the board that the Mayor’s office had some candidates under consideration for serving on the board.

**Adjournment:** Donovan Geiger adjourned the meeting at 5:15 p.m.

**Next Meeting:** May 8, 2014

**RSVP or if unable to attend meeting call Adrienne Turner at 619.236.6364 or email at [aturner@sandiego.gov](mailto:aturner@sandiego.gov)**