



**CATHEDRAL HIGH SCHOOL  
ALUMNI ASSOCIATION**

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**Minutes of Special Meeting**  
Wednesday, January 11, 2006

**A. Call to Order:**

1. A special meeting of the Cathedral High School Alumni Association was called to order by Ruben Torres, President, at 6:00 pm, Wednesday, January 11, 2006 in the Vandenburg Library at Cathedral High School.
2. The traditional opening prayer was led by Principal Sam Govea.

**B. Members Present:**

1. Association Officers present included: President, Ruben Torres; President-Elect, Roger Rodriguez; Treasurer, Luis M. Marquez; Principal, Sam Govea, *ex officio*. Absent, but excused, were Secretary, Ernesto 'Marty' Martinez; Parliamentarian, Hector Zavaleta Jr.; and Historian, Frank Rimkus.
2. Association Board of Directors Members present included: John Kenny; Victor Arias Sr.; and, David Saucedo.
3. General members present included: Chief Justice Richard Barajas; Hector Carranza; Andy Portillo; Tom Murphy; and, J.D. Douglass.

**C. Approval of Minutes**

1. A motion to table the draft Minutes of the November 16, 2005 meeting was made, seconded, and passed. Discussion was held on the posting of the official minutes of the Alumni Association on the Internet on the Alumni webpage, found at <http://www.cathedral-elpaso.org/alumni/>. A motion to made to ensure that official minutes of the Alumni Association be prepared in a consistent format or template was made, seconded, and passed unanimously.
2. A motion to review the draft copy of the Minutes by the Executive Board and the Principal was made, seconded, and passed unanimously.
3. Discussion was held suggesting that after preparation of the minutes, that they be circulated among the members of the executive board and the principal for approval prior to their posting on the Alumni website.

#### **D. Treasurer's Report**

1. The treasurer reported that the Cathedral Bookkeeper has created a separate account for the Cathedral Alumni Association. The balance in the special account, as of January 11, 2006 is \$1,300. There are no expenses to date.

#### **E. Reports of Standing Committees, if any**

1. There were no reports made by any of the Association Standing Committees, pending composition of the committees.

#### **F. Open Issues**

1. Ratification of By-laws.

Copies of the by-laws as amended and adopted at the last planning meeting on November 16, 2005 were once again distributed to all members in attendance. A motion to once again ratify the earlier adopted by-laws was made, seconded, and carried by unanimous vote.

2. Announcement of Officers

The six Officers of the Alumni Association are President, Ruben Torres; President-Elect, Roger Rodriguez; Secretary, Ernesto 'Marty' Martinez; Treasurer, Luis M. Marquez; Parliamentarian, Hector Zavaleta Jr.; and Historian, Frank Rimkus. Their terms of office are as defined in Article III, Section 3 of the By-laws.

3. Announcement of Board of Directors and terms of office

The nine (9) members of the Board of Directors appointed at the November 16, 2005 meeting were identified. Pursuant to the adopted By-Laws, their staggered terms of office were drawn at random by the President and in the presence of those in attendance. Selected to serve for three year terms of office as a member of the Cathedral High School Alumni Association Board of Directors are Michael Piñon, Victor Arias Sr., and Jimmy Rivera. Selected to serve for two year terms of office are: Dr. Abraham Gonzalez, Gilbert Guillen, and John Davis. Selected to serve for one year terms of office: John Kenny, Dr. Rene de la Fuente, and David Saucedo. A motion to accept these nominations was made, seconded, and passed unanimously.

4. Establishment of Alumni Charter Membership dues.

As defined in Article II, Section 1, paragraph (a), Charter membership will be offered to all CHS alumni who participate in the formation of the CHS Alumni Association prior to August 17, 2006 (exactly one year after the first planning meeting was held). A motion was made and seconded that charter membership

dues be set at \$100 and applicable to all graduates of through 2006. The motion passed.

5. Establishment of Annual Membership dues.

A motion was made and seconded that general annual dues, in the amount of \$25 per membership year, beginning in August 2006. The motion passed. A motion was made and seconded that alumni within ten years of graduation are exempted from payment of any annual dues. The motion passed. A motion was made and seconded that discussion regarding Golden graduates (those with fifty or more years since graduation) are exempted from payment of any annual dues. The motion passed. A motion was made and seconded that discussion regarding lifetime membership dues and Gold Club membership dues be tabled pending further research. The motion passed.

### **G. New Business**

1. The members present were informed that on December 18, 2005, Attorney Bruce Broillet, '67, was formally recognized for his gift of \$34,000 to Cathedral High School, made in honor of his mother, Ann Broillet. The sum has been used for the purpose of fully integrating technology into the science labs at the school. As a result of Broillet's generous gift, each of the science labs now have fully multi-media capability.

### **H. Agenda for Next Meeting**

1. Discussion was held regarding of number and types of meetings of the Alumni Association. It was noted that the By-law of the Association call for the following types of meetings:
  - a. Meetings of the Executive Committee. There shall be an annual meeting and regular or special meeting of the Executive Committee. The times and places for said meetings shall be set by the President with reasonable notice given to members of the Executive Committee.
  - b. Meetings of the Board of Directors. There shall be an annual meeting and regular or special meeting of the Board of Directors. The times and places for said meetings shall be set by the Board of Directors with reasonable notice given to members of the Board by the Secretary of the Association.
  - c. Meetings of the Committees. There shall be periodic meetings of the designated committees of the Association. The times and places for said committee meetings shall be set by the chair of the committee with reasonable notice given to members of the respective committee.
  - d. Meetings of the General Membership of the Association. Regular meetings of the Association shall be held three times annually, during the fall, spring and summer months. The fall meeting, held in conjunction with Homecoming,

shall serve as the Annual Membership Meeting. Other meetings, including Special Meetings, may be held as recommended by the Executive Committee.

2. A motion was made that the Executive Committee determine, at the earliest possible opportunity, the content of the agendas for any of the meetings of the Alumni Association. Tentative agendas for any of the meetings are to be posted to the Internet at the Alumni Association webpage at: <http://www.cathedral-elpaso.org/alumni/association>. In addition, registered members with valid e-mail addresses will be sent an e-note informing them of the meeting dates, times and place.

**I. Adjournment:**

1. The Special Meeting was adjourned at 7:30 pm upon motion which was made, seconded, and passed unanimously. The next meeting of the Executive Board will be at 6:00 pm, Wednesday, February 8, 2006 in the Vandenburg Library at Cathedral High School. Members of the Board of Directors and the general membership are invited to attend.

Minutes submitted by: Luis M. Marquez, Treasurer, on behalf of Ernesto 'Marty' Martinez, Association Secretary.

Approved by: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_