

## General membership meeting 10 a.m. Feb. 15

## The Paisano, the student newspaper for the University of Texas San Antonio

Minutes taken by Secretary Krista Torralva

Introductions and welcome by Nora Lopez and Rudy Sanchez of The Paisano

Members hear about an alliance between seven collegiate publications. SAAHJ offers its support and resources and can create an ad hoc steering committee to advise the alliance if they continue.

Laura Garcia motions to approve January minutes. Jeannette Garcia seconds. Motion carries.

Treasurer's report by Laura Garcia.

Operations account balance: \$3,342.67

Gala account balance: \$139,985.53

Income to operations account since last meeting: None Expenses paid from operations account since last meeting:

12-31-19 \$9 Frost account monthly service charge

1-6-20 \$5.32 spent on monthly GoDaddy website charge

1-6-20 \$275 1 of 2 check payments to Tessa Benavides for 2019 tax preparation

1-9-20 \$100 check to AMASA marketing group for our holiday mixer, food at The Meadow.

1-13-20 \$14.25 HEB debit purchase for general meeting pastries

1-13-20 \$34.62 Einstein's Bagels purchase for two coffee canteens for general meeting

1-13-20 \$50 reimbursement to Joaquin Herrera for printing our holiday cards

Pending \$5.32 charge for monthly GoDaddy website hosting fee

Income to Gala account since last meeting:

1-3-20 \$485 Wave deposit from Julian Castro for Castro gala table

1-3-20 Deposited \$1,500 check from Univision for gala table

1-3-20 Deposited \$20,000 for Shea Serrano scholarship fund

1-21-20 Deposited \$175 check from Dorcol for bar donations from Shea Serrano event

Expenses paid from Gala account since last meeting:

12-31-19 \$5 monthly Frost service charge

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Scholarship committee report. Tony Quesada recommends transferring \$55K from the gala account to the San Antonio Area Foundation. Elaine Ayala seconds. Motion carries.

Tony Quesada moves to authorize the scholarship committee to award up to \$40K in scholarships. Laura Garcia seconds. Krista Torralva asks how much each scholarship is. Last year, they ranged from \$1,500 - \$5,000. This amount will not include the \$5K annual scholarship provided by Shea Serrano. Krista

Torralva motions to amend the amount to \$50K that the scholarship committee may award. Diana Fuentes seconds. Motion carries.

Gala committee update. Yolanda Haymon sent the first round of letters to our sponsors. Nora Lopez will look for a sponsor for the after party. If we do not get a sponsor, we might discontinue the after party because it costs about \$5K. When the gala first began, Time Warner sponsored the after party, Nora Lopez said. Danny Sanchez recommended Silver Eagle. Robert Sarabia of Telemundo said he would talk offline with Nora Lopez. Nora Lopez asks Yolanda Haymon to send a second round of letters within the month and then make calls in six weeks.

Alamo Colleges still has not finished paying for last year's gala nor has Catholic Charities.

Gala honorees are voted on and announced. Ciro Villarreal for Henry Guerra award and Shea Serrano for Community Service. Gala committee will handle Corazon de Oro.

Adjourn.