

The A.A.C.A. South Florida Region Board Meeting of Tuesday, May 7, 2024, was called to Order President Tomás Hernández at 7:32 p.m., at Rinconcito Latino Café, 9606 SW 72nd Street, Miami, FL 33173.

In Attendance: President Tomás Hernández, Secretary Yovanna Hernández, and Board Members Benjamin Cardonne, Jorge Feria, Chico Goldsmith, Immediate Past President Millie Garcia, Jean Hawa, Thomas Kosky, Ed Medina, Mike Penn, Jorge Salazar, Ira Shapiro, and Bob Squier.

Establish a Quorum: President Tomás Hernández was able to establish a quorum with 13 members of the Board present.

First Order of Business - Acceptance of Board Meeting Minutes from Previous Month: President Tomás Hernández asked if everyone present had read the minutes of the April board meeting; if so, and if there were no questions, comments, or corrections, would someone move to accept the minutes as posted. Jean Hawa made a motion to accept the minutes, Millie Garcia seconded it. Having no other discussion, the motion was voted on and passed.

Second Order of Business – Treasurer's Report: President Tomás Hernández reported on behalf of Treasurer Manny Garcia who presented a reconciliation statement for April from the club's bank account. Manny added that with membership renewals coming in, new members, monthly expenses such as coffee and dessert at the Board and general meetings, storage rental fee and the printing and mailing of *Sidelights*, our treasury is sound. Ira Shapiro informed us that starting May 26 the cost for the storage rental will increase.

Third Order of Business – Membership Report: Ed Medina informed us that as of now we have 202 families, we had four members who were dropped due to non-payment of their required national dues. Ed also reminded us that we had given away two free renewals at the picnic.

General Membership Meeting (May 16, 2024): President Tomás Hernández informed us that Al Padilla spoke to Jaime Del Valle who asked him to be the guest speaker. Mr. Del Valle is an IAAA Master Appraiser who will be speaking on Diminished Value and how to protect yourself and your classic car investment.

Miami Springs River Cities Festival report: Ed Medina said that this was a great two-day show and that everything had gone well; everyone enjoyed the display of

cars, the food, and the music. He said it is looking positive for a return to next year's event.

Club Picnic Report: President Tomás Hernández commented that it was an awesome picnic. There were 80 members present out of 100 who had signed up. Between the delicious food, the side dish and dessert competition with gift cards awarded, two memberships raffled off, and the wonderful weather, everyone had an enjoyable day. Since there was plenty of leftover food, some members picked up some to take home and the rest was taken to a wonderful volunteer group of people who dedicated their time to feed the homeless. 70 homeless people were fed that evening. Millie Garcia was recognized for bringing forward this action and we thanked her and Manny Garcia for all their effort. Millie added that since the club is growing, perhaps we should consider looking for a bigger venue for next year. President Tomás Hernández finished by saying that this was a well-organized activity because of teamwork and thanked everyone who helped make this happen.

Memory Lane (August 30th – September 8th): Ed Medina informed us that there are 48 cars registered at this moment but he does not know the total amount of cars that will be allowed but 1999 and older can register. He also said that we do not have a contract yet, but he is working on it. He is also trying to see if we could have the East-West wall to display all cars chronologically by years.

Progressive Dinner (Date to be Determined): Because Memory Lane will be earlier this year and the Lake Mirror Car Show will be mid-October we will be deciding the date later.

Holiday Party (December 7, 2024): After reviewing three possible locations, all board members present agreed with the venue's proposal and determined that we should have a buffet style serving with at least three proteins. A contract will follow in the next coming days.

Other Club Business:

- Pacifica Senior Living Center Car Show (June 1, 2024) – Ed Medina mentioned that the center is in Lauderhill, FL and we should have 25 cars present. The seniors from the center will be the judges, and first, second and third places will be awarded. There will be food and music.
- East Ridge Retirement Village (May 18, 2024) – Jean Hawa informed us that there are already approximately 27 cars registered. She also mentioned that

she has acquired the insurance already.

Sunshine Report: Jean Hawa reported that Chico Goldsmith's niece passed away. Also, George Harvey's brother-in-law had back surgery.

Adjournment: With no further club business to discuss, President Tomás Hernández made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:25 p.m. It was unanimously seconded and approved.

Submitted by Yovanna Hernández, Secretary