

The A.A.C.A. South Florida Region Board Meeting of Tuesday, July 1, 2025 was called to Order by President Tomás Hernández at 7:28 p.m., at Rinconcito Latino Café, 9606 SW 72nd Street, Miami, FL 33173.

In Attendance: President Tomás Hernández, 1st Vice President Al Padilla, 2nd Vice President Ed Medina, Secretary Yovanna Hernández, and Board Members Benjamin Cardonne, Jean Hawa, Thomas Kosky, Mike Penn, Jorge Salazar, Ira Shapiro and Bob Squier.

Establish a Quorum: President Tomás Hernández was able to establish a quorum with 11 members of the board present.

First Order of Business - Acceptance of Board Meeting Minutes from Previous Meeting: 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; Ed Medina seconded it. Having no other discussion, the motion was voted on and passed.

Second Order of Business – Treasurer's Report: Tomás Hernández, on behalf of Manny Garcia, presented a reconciliation statement for June from the club's bank account. Tomás added that with membership renewals, new memberships, 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.

Third Order of Business – Membership Report: Ed Medina, reported that as of now we remain with 216 active families. Ed proposed to follow National's membership guidelines with a discount for the remaining period or until July.

General Membership Meeting (July 17, 2025): Tomás Hernández reminded us that July's membership meeting date and location will be determined at a later day.

Father's Day Vintage Car Display and Members Meeting - The Palace Suites Senior Luxury Living Report- Ed Medina informed us that it was a great turnout with 19 cars present. He added that we were provided with a great lunch and wonderful music; we even had a Marilyn Monroe impersonator who took pictures with many of the residents in front of the cars.

Memory Lane (September 26 – October 5, 2025)- Ed Medina informed us that we have 41 pre-registered cars.

Progressive Dinner: No date has been assigned yet. Benjamin Cardonne has offered his residence for one of the progressive houses. We are still waiting for another location to finalize all the details.

Holiday Party (December 13, 2025)- Ed Medina said that he will be working on all details and that we will use the indoor ballroom at the venue.

Miami Art Deco Show (January 17-18, 2026): Ira Shapiro mentioned that the Miami Preservation League wants to maintain the relationship with our club since the car show is a big hit during Art Deco Weekend. Jorge Salazar will be co-chair of the show, together with Benjamin Cardonne.

Other Club Business:

- Tomás Hernández informed us that Paula Valentina Perez has resigned from the board.
- Jean Hawa received a very nice thank you letter from Julia (Judy) Beauchamp.
- Ed Medina thanked Jorge Salazar and Manny Garcia for helping move the club's contents to the new storage unit. Ed said he found t-shirts from previous national shows and suggested giving them away at different events. He also found antenna flags to be used at our car shows and once these are gone, we should order more.
- Ira Shapiro inquired about the final cost of the 70th Anniversary celebration. Ed Medina responded that we were within budget.
- Ed Medina proposed to purchase two more folding tables to put under the tent. All were in favor.
- Ira Shapiro announced that he has been nominated to serve on the National AACA Board of Directors.

Sunshine Report: Jean Hawa informed us that Gina Medina had surgery.

Adjournment: With no further club business to discuss, President Tomás Hernández made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:17 p.m. It was unanimously seconded and approved.

Submitted by Yovanna Hernández, Secretary