

The A.A.C.A. South Florida Region Board Meeting of Tuesday, May 5, 2026 was called to Order by 1st Vice President Ed Medina at 7:30 p.m., at La Carreta Restaurant, 8650 Bird Road, Miami, FL 33155.

In Attendance: 1st Vice President Ed Medina, Secretary Yovanna Hernández, Past-President Tomás Hernández, and Board Members Angel Aulet, Benjamin Cardonne, Alejandro Clay, Chico Goldsmith, Jean Hawa, Tony Hernandez, Thomas Kosky, Mike Penn, Ira Shapiro.

Establish a Quorum: 1st Vice President Ed Medina was able to establish a quorum with 12 members of the board present.

First Order of Business - Acceptance of Board Meeting Minutes from Previous Meeting: 1st Vice President Ed Medina asked if everyone present had read the minutes of the April's board meeting; if so, and if there were no questions, comments, or corrections, would someone move to accept the minutes as posted. Ira Shapiro made a motion to accept the minutes; Tomás Hernández seconded it. Having no other discussion, the motion was voted on and passed.

Second Order of Business – Treasurer's Report: 1st Vice President Ed Medina in lieu of Manny Garcia presented a reconciliation statement for the month of April from the club's bank account and 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 have 218 active families. Ed presented a survey he did in reference of the number of members who participated in all the club's activities. With 101 responses the results indicate that only 1/8 percent of the membership actively participate. Ed then asked the board for ideas to encourage member's participation. Ira Shapiro mentioned that for more than 30 years, only approximately 25% participated in some of the activities. Ed suggested having more activities with kids at the shows. Tony Hernandez suggested to change the membership meeting to different locations, time and day of the week. It was noted that a bylaw change would be needed to alter the general meeting dates.

General Membership Meeting (April 16, 2026): Ed Medina informed us that we will be meeting at Florida Hotrods on 12010 SW 114th Place for coffee, orange juice, bagels and doughnuts. Mario Morejon will do a tour of his amazing shop for custom fabrication frame welding and CNC machine.

Downtown Event Report – Ira Shapiro informed us that the Heritage Day Event at the Olympia Theater was a great event and there were six cars from the 1920's- 1950's era. He mentioned that if we do it next year, he will try to expand the time period up to the 1960's.

4th of July Classic Car Show-Miami Springs (July 3, 2026) – Ed Medina informed that this year instead of displaying the antiques at the circle, we will be located at Westwood Drive. The show will be from 6 to 10 p.m. We would have a prize for Best of Show. Since our country will be celebrating its 250th Anniversary, Ed Medina proposed having a good participation of our membership, perhaps coming in as a group.

Other Club Business:

- Ira Shapiro spoke with the president of the Fort Lauderdale Region who said that his club is interested in hosting a Nationals Meet with us. Ira mentioned that we need to create a committee.
- Ed Medina informed us that he will meeting with the Country Walk's Board to propose a car show. Also, the Presbyterian Church across the street has a lot that could

accommodate around 120 cars. If all goes accordingly this will take place next year.

- Ed Medina requested to have a club's credit card under his name for all purchases related to his responsibilities, i.e. Sidelights, trophies, warehouse, etc. Tony Hernandez made a motion to approve the credit card; Chico Goldsmith seconded it. All were in favor.

Sunshine Report: Tomás and Yovanna Hernández announced that they will become grandparents.

Adjournment: With no further club business to discuss, 1st Vice President Ed Medina made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:43 p.m. It was unanimously seconded and approved.

Submitted by Yovanna Hernandez,

Secretary