

FINAL

Minutes of the New Mexico National Association of Hispanic Journalists

Oct. 3, 2018

Low 'n Slow in Santa Fe, NM

Old Business

1. This is a special board meeting of the NM NAHJ chapter
2. Attendance: May Ortega, Shelby Perea, Steve Soliz, Elizabeth Sanchez, Amanda Martinez
3. Absent: Marie Baca
4. Student chapter
 - a. We will continue to reach out to UNM students who want to create a student chapter. As of now, it is not an officially recognized club by NAHJ. It does receive funding club funding from UNM.
 - b. The Atlanta NAHJ chapter does a lot of student events and mentorship. We want to do more of this in the future.

New Business

1. Amanda announced she will not run for a second term as secretary
 - a. Steve suggested creating a rural VP position to represent the journalists at smaller papers/towns throughout the state.
 - b. Shelby and Amanda will do the minutes together until the election.
2. Journalism Under Fire event Dec. 5-7
 - a. Conference organizers reached out to May to ask for help with finding speakers and presenters. May said they contacted her because the conference needs to be more diverse. Board members have some concerns about being asked to participate so late in the planning process. May will go back and ask some questions before we decide if we will, or will not, participate.
3. Elections
 - a. Bylaws require NM NAHJ to hold elections in December
 - b. Ballots will be sent to members on Dec. 8. People will have one week to vote. Results will be announced Dec. 15.
 - c. We still need to coordinate the nomination process and when people can be put on the ballot
4. Next meeting
 - a. Dec. 15. Time TBD.