Old Business

1. This is a regular Board meeting of the NM NAHJ Chapter
2. Attendance: May Ortega, Marie Baca, Shelby Perea, Steve Soliz, Amanda Martinez
3. Absent: none
4. Membership Update
   a. As of the first of this month, we have 23 members.
   b. We get 50 percent of all dues from members who sign up within the first year of starting the chapter. After that it drops to something like 30 percent. May needs to contact national to figure out how much money we should receive from this dues.
5. Treasurer’s Report
   a. Have $90 in national account. Should have about $300 in dues payments and cash from previous events
6. Mixer
   a. The mixer at Marie’s home went well. Next time we will put out a sign-up sheet for our monthly email newsletter.
7. National conference report
   a. May said the conference went well. The times for the chapter presidents meeting and the awards luncheon got mixed up so attendance for the presidents’ meeting was low. May said she got some good ideas for fundraisers and workshops, but that we also have to remember we are a young chapter with lots of potential and opportunity. The group also discussed that the lack of transparency in how national handles money was a problem.
      i. Ideas: Coffee with a PIO, asking local businesses to sponsor us. Marie suggested we contact the Hispanic Chamber of Commerce.
   b. They instituted a no fraternization policy between students attending the conference and any members.
      i. There is currently an investigation into misconduct that took place at a previous conference.

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1. Possible workshops
   a. May suggested a beat the burnout/self-care workshop. Amanda suggested government finance or IPRA workshop.
2. National member-at-large
   a. Steve Soliz is not the national member-at-large. He is going through orientation and exchanging emails with other members. They are also discussing
transparency and how to quickly address racist articles that come out, such as the July 30 article “White, and in the minority” from the Washington Post.

3. Future events
   a. Possible Santa Fe happy hour and event with Aaron Cantú of the SF Reporter

4. Student chapter
   a. UNM student Marco Torres is willing to create the chapter. It will just be a student club until he goes through the process to turn it into a certified student chapter.

5. Website
   a. Shelby asked for more assistance from the other board members with the website management and taking pictures for the website.

6. Survey
   a. The group reviewed the survey questions created by Shelby. We will raffle off a $10 gift card amongst the people who complete the survey.

7. Minutes
   a. The group unanimously approved the February and March minutes.

8. Next meeting
   a. Sept. 1 at Ohori’s in Santa Fe