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**SOUTH TEXAS COLLEGE CHAPTER  
AMERICAN ASSOCIATION FOR WOMEN  
IN COMMUNITY COLLEGES**

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**Meeting:** September 16, 2015 (Board Meeting)

**Time:** 5:30PM

**Location:** The Corner Bakery

In attendance: Mary Elizondo, Alicia Gomez, Monica Perez, Myriam Lopez, Irma Sierra, Norma Jimenez, Monica Alaniz-McGinnis, and Rebecca Cavazos.

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Official meeting called to order at 6:12 p.m.

Alicia welcomed all new Board members and thanked everyone for attending. The purpose of the meeting was to have past Board members

### **Memberships**

Memberships will need to be renewed by all members. Monica Perez will send out reminder to all members informing them that they will need to renew each year. As of today, there are 4 members who have renewed.

During the previous year, we had 38 paid members; Alicia would like to see the chapter increase the number to 50 paid members. We will need to focus our efforts on recruiting more students and faculty.

### **Funds**

Thus far, our local chapter has approximately \$800 in funds to start off the year. This total reflects the two \$300 scholarships that were awarded during the summer to two of our student members. As per Myriam Lopez, the requisition and paperwork for the scholarships has been processed.

### **Meetings**

Alicia is suggesting to keep the first meeting on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday of each month, as what was done in the previous year. During this first meeting, she will consult with members to inquire if they prefer to meet during the lunch hour or after working hours. Monica Perez suggested to use Doodle, which allows the user to present different meeting times and get a consensus of what time works best. Monica Alaniz-McGinnis suggested to use that for each meeting, since activities may prevent a member to attend; allowing various times may increase attendance during Members meeting.

### **Professional Development**

Alicia informed us that during our College-wide Professional Development Day, scheduled for Friday, September 18<sup>th</sup>, our local chapter has the option to recruit more Faculty and Staff. Recruitment efforts entail our local chapter setting up a table with registration forms and the AAWCC/STC banner. In addition, Dr. Reed will announce our local chapter during College-wide. Alicia suggested that all members should wear their purple scarves; Monica Perez will send an e-mail to all members asking them to wear their scarves and will print 50 membership forms to give to interested employees. Monica Alaniz- McGinnis suggested displaying pictures at the table, so that Faculty and Staff can see the work that has been done within the local chapter.

Mary suggested that we offer an Etiquette class to the local chapter. We begin with group and eventually venture out to the community and/or college and fundraise during this process. She also mentioned that we could all learn to dance various dances. Monica Alaniz-McGinnis suggested a painting class, learn how to make bows for young girls, and class in managing your money. Alicia suggested that we bring in an instructor from Automotive, so that they can teach the members the basics of a car.

### **Website**

Alicia will revisit the topic of having our local chapter through the STC webpage. Will visit with Daniel Ramirez and explain that we simply need to use the STC webpage and that we will manage, edit, and update the webpage ourselves and are not requesting resources from PR/Marketing.

### **AAWCC Items**

An order of new pins and scarves will need to be placed. Ordering of t-shirts will be discussed during the Members meeting. Monica Perez will follow-up with Tony at The PR Store Chicago to inquire about sashes, so that perhaps, they can be used during Graduation this December.

### **Activities**

As per STC policy and procedure, we can have 2 activities per year. The Board members felt that we should continue the Holiday Bazaar, held during the month of December, and the Valentine's Day Bazaar. These two events helped our local chapter generated most of funds. It suggested to begin advertising early for both occasions, so that we can draw in more faculty, staff, and students.

### **Community Service**

Monica Alaniz-McGinnis suggested assisting the Kinesiology Department during the annual Turkey Trot held at the STC Pecan Campus. She will coordinate with Rebecca De Los Santos, Kinesiology Program Chair, to see how our local chapter can contribute.

Meeting adjourned at 7:11 p.m.

Next meeting to be held on Thursday, October 8<sup>th</sup> at 11:45 a.m., location To Be Determined.