

## AAJA-Texas Board Minutes

April 14, 2010, 8 pm

### **Agenda:**

1. National Convention
2. Media Access Workshop
3. Shared mixer at National
4. Silent auction items
5. Website update
6. Chapter events

In attendance: Angie, Iris, Aman, Caroling, Ted

#### 1. National Convention

The board spoke about the upcoming August convention. Among the Texas board, Ted is going. As chapter president and treasurer, respectively, Iris and Caroling need to go. The board voted to pay their airfare and lodging.

#### 2. Media Access Workshop

The Texas chapter is sharing responsibility for planning the Media Access workshop at the National Convention with the San Francisco chapter. The workshop is designed for community organizations to learn how to get press coverage and deal with media outlets.

The Texas chapter has contacted the San Francisco chapter and is waiting to hear back.

#### 3. Shared mixer at National

Last year, the Texas chapter held a mixer at the national convention with the LA Chapter. LA had more people show up than Texas, yet Texas still covered half of the bill.

Angie's suggested picking a smaller chapter that's closer to our size for the mixer at the August convention. Ted offered to reach out to the Florida chapter.

Caroling estimated we spent about \$175 on the last mixer. Aman said he thought the chapter paid even less than that in Hawaii for a stand-alone chapter mixer.

#### 4. Silent auction items

AAJA wants chapters to find items for the auction fundraiser at the national convention. Iris suggested contacting Houston designer Chloe Dao who has donated clothes in the past. Aman said he would talk to Scott Nishimura, who previously ran a silent auction fundraiser while president.

#### 5. Website update

Caroling said the redesigned website is very close to being ready to go live. Board set up a meeting in May to get trained on the content management system.

#### 6. Chapter events

Iris said a Houston mixer will likely be held on May 12.

Ted said he's reached out to three Dallas-area people to appear on a social media panel put on by the chapter.

The board discussed a possible date for the panel and whether it should be held as a fundraiser, with attendees paying for admission, or free to the public. The board did not come to a final decision.