

**Minutes of NT UTPA AA Officers Meeting
March 25, 2006**

Present: Minerva Moreno, President
Russelle Wade, Vice-President
Blanca Salinas, Secretary
Ginger Quezada, Treasurer
Guests: Elsie Rivera, alumni and sister of Minerva
Alex Quezada, alumni and husband of Ginger

The meeting was held at 4:00 pm, at Applebee's restaurant in Lewisville, TX. Minerva opened by reviewing accomplishments since our chapter formation meeting in July, 2005 and discussing plans for 2006-2007 year.

Minerva's stated her goals this year as president were to:

1. Organize 3 events
2. Approval of our chapter by UTPA
3. Establish a scholarship
4. Establish a web-site
5. Expand membership

Minerva stated she would like the focus of our chapter to be on membership recruitment and scholarships. She was pleased to announce we have our first scholarship established. It is a \$10,000 endowed scholarship in memory of her brother. The interest earned on the money will fund a scholarship for UTPA students. Our chapter was also officially approved by UTPA.

We discussed organizing 2 more events this year. One is a Cinco de Mayo event. Ginger and Alex graciously invited our chapter to their home for the Cinco de Mayo party they host annually. The date is Saturday, May 6, 2006. The officer's agreed and discussed plans to use Evite.com to invite guests and discussed other details such as membership give-aways, a possible raffle, etc. Blanca volunteered Cruz to obtain a general email account that we could use for our chapter's contact information.

The second event this year will be an officer turn-over meeting. At this event, new officers, except President, will be elected. As current vice-president, Russelle will become president for the next term. It was decided to hold this event late July. Places to hold this event were discussed. Possibilities included the Dallas Arboretum, Dallas Zoo, Denton Jazz Festival, Taste of Addison, Scarborough Faire, a local lake camp out/fishing/bon-fire event, Shakespeare in the Park, etc. No final decision has been made.

We discussed the website. Blanca passed out hard copies of the pages Cruz has developed. Minerva would like to add a "Job Opportunities" link for 2 local job postings. Blanca mentioned she will ask Cruz to get the website files to Debbie at UTPA and we

can modify and send updates as needed. Minerva said she would get her changes on the pages to Cruz.

We also discussed the website should include a bio on each officer, our life-time members names and a list of our current members. Minerva said she would discuss getting an updated member list from Debbie. Each officer should write a 1 paragraph bio and email to Blanca. These will be added to the website.

We also discussed calling members on the UTPA list to invite them to join our chapter.

Meeting was adjourned at 6:00 p.m.