National Association of Hispanic Journalists Board of Directors Special Meeting Virtual Meeting Via Zoom Wednesday, October 4, 2023 1:00 p.m. PT/3:00 Central/4:00 p.m. ET

**Present:** Yvette Cabrera, Julio Cesar Chavez, Arelis Hernandez (joined in exec. session), Mc Nelly Torres, Geraldine Cols Azocar (joined in exec. session), Dunia Elvir, Luis Joel Mendez Gonzalez, Adriana Chavira, Samantha Rivera, Nancy Preyer-Johnson (joined in exec. session), Johnny Cordoba (exec. session) Edward Franco

Not present: David Cordero Mercado, Sarah Betancourt, Melissa Macaya, Cristy Fajardo

Guests: Marilyn Garateix, Yaneth Guillen, Ivan Brionnes

## I. Call to Order

President Yvette Cabrera called the meeting to the order at 3:06 p.m.

## II. Roll Call

Secretary Blanca Rios conducted a roll call.

## III. Welcome

A. After a short welcome, Yvette said all board members and NAHJ staff members have been interviewing candidates for NAHJ Executive Director. Yvette said a decision will be announced on or before the next regular board meeting which is scheduled for Nov. 4.

# **IV. Executive Session**

A. Vice President of Broadcast Julio Cesar Chavez moved to go into an executive session to discuss personnel and contract members. Vice President of Online Mc Nelly Torres seconded the motion. The motion passed via voice vote at 4:09 p.m Eastern. The board returned to public session at 5:50 p.m.

## V. New business

- A. Executive Director Hiring
  - Julio Cesar moved for the executive board to begin the hiring and negotiating stage for the next NAHJ Executive Director. Mc Nelly seconded the motion.
    Motion passed by roll vote. Vice President of Print Arelis Hernandez abstained.
- B. Resolution
  - a. The board discussed adopting a Certificate of Corporate Resolution to update a closed credit card account to remove former Executive Director David Peña and add our current Chief Operating Officer Yaneth Guillen. Board members already have a copy of that document and should have reviewed it. Arelis moved to approve the resolution. Geraladine seconded the motion. The motion carried by a voice vote.
- C. Next Board Meeting
  - a. Nov. 4, 2023 at 12:30 p.m. PT/2:30 p.m. Central/3:30p.m. ET via zoom

## VI. Adjournment

A. Yvette adjourned the meeting at 5:53 p.m. Eastern