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LOCATION: Keller Williams Realty, 12040 Tierra Este Rd. Ste 206. El Paso TX 79938			

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1. Purpose

These are the minutes for the bi-weekly Board of Directors meetings of Mountain Star PRIDE, Inc. which was held on January 11, 2024

2. Definitions

Term	Definition
LGBTQIA+	Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Queer, Intersexual & Ally
EP	El Paso, Texas
LC	Las Cruces, New Mexico
CJ	Ciudad Juarez, Mexico
EB	Executive Board
BOD	Board of Directors

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3. Attendance

Figure 1. Executive Board Attendance

Name	Title/Position	Present	Absent
Andrew Nunez-Rupert	President	X (A)	
Matthew Ware Garcia	Vice-President	X (I)	
Ronald Nunez-Rupert	Secretary	X (I)	
Nicole Haswell	Sergeant at Arms		X
Thomas Green	Treasurer		X
Eric Macias	Entertainment Director / SM Liaison	X (I)	
Ricardo Ware Garcia	Committee at Large	X (I)	
Dora Bolivar	Sponsorship Director	X (I)	

Figure 2. Guests and Staff

Name	Present
Nadine Wolf	X (I)
Darlina Marie with Burlesque on the Rio	X (I)
Bonnie with Burlesque on the Rio	X (i)
Jose with The Chuco Bears	X (I)
Nate with The Chuco Bears	X (I)
Christian with The Chuco Bears	X (I)
Wesley Lawrence	X (A)

*(I) attended in person, (V) attended via video/audio, (A) attended via audio only

4. Minutes

7:36pm Meeting was called to order by Secretary Elect Ronald Nunez-Rupert. This meeting was conducted in person at Keller Williams Realty, 12040 Tierra Este Rd. Ste 206. El Paso TX 79938

7:36pm Check-in and Introductions; individuals present:

- Ronald Nunez-Rupert
- Andrew Nunez-Rupert
- Matthew Ware Garcia
- Ricardo Ware Garcia
- Dora Bolivar
- Eric Macias

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7:40pm Proxies for Absentees

- Thomas Green, no proxy given
- Nicole Haswell, no proxy given

7:40pm Announcement: Non-disclosure and confidentiality reminder

7:41pm Approval of minutes from BOD Meeting on December 7 2023, unanimous vote pass

7:41pm Treasurer Financial Recap was skipped as Tom was unable to attend meeting due to family emergency.

7:42pm Vice President (Matt) Agenda Reviewed

- Food drop off procedures for the Borderland Rainbow center as part of Mountain Star Pride Gather November, Give December event.
 - o Drop off will take place Saturday January 13th at 10am
 - o Approximate donation of goods totaled \$800
 - o Donation to be dropped off at the Borderland Rainbow Center Food Pantry directly with their staff

7:44pm Secretary (Ron) Agenda Reviewed

- Record into minutes, vote taken by Executive Board on January 4, 2024 for the removal of Kaelob Libby from the Board of Directors list of Mountain Star Pride as Community Outreach Committee Member
 - o First Motion: Andrew, Second Motion: Nicole
 - o **Voted PASSED on January 4, 2024 with unanimous votes**

7:48pm Discussion: Recap of approved and anticipated Mountain Star Pride events

- o Welcome The Troops Home (Dora) - January 2024. Details are to come soon as we are still pending information from the US Army.
- o OutFest Planning for October 2024. Talks are in the works for a potential event host. More details to follow as they are received.

7:52pm Discussion: Elections for Board of Directors. Ron (Secretary) proposed the following;
**Voting day June 27th 2024, Inaugural Celebration Event July 4th 2024, and First Official Meeting July 11th 2024.*

7:54pm Discussion: Board members discussed the time lime that the vetting and application process for new members would be. A public announcement to be made 2 months

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prior of open positions, an posting blast 1 month prior, and closing off applications 2 weeks prior.

7:58pm Discussion: Nadine Wolf, presented to the board the opportunity to use the Briar Patch for future events if necessary, to include a Sip and Shop or for Board Election Day

8:00pm Discussion: Darlina Marie, mentioned to the Board of Directors the possibility of looking into Keystone Heritage Park as a potential venue space for future events

8:08pm Vote: President Andrew, passed a motion to for Mountain Star Pride to upgrade its Skype account to an unlimited usage service account, approximate cost of \$160 for the year.

- First Motion: Dora, Community Outreach Director
- Second Motion: Matt, Vice President

Vote PASSED on January 11, 2024 with unanimous votes

8:10pm Discussion: Board discussed further the timeline for Mountain Star Pride Board Elections 2024

8:14pm Vote: Secretary Ron, passed a motion for Mountain Star Pride's 2024 Board of Directors Election to be as followed;

**Election day June 27th, 2024, Inaugural Celebration Event July 6th 2024, and First Official Meeting July 11th 2024.*

- First Motion: Andrew, President
- Second Motion: Eric, Entertainment Director

Vote PASSED on January 11, 2024 with unanimous votes

8:15pm Discussion: Nadine Wolf has presented to the Board of Directors that she will be reaching out to the El Paso Chihuahuas to see if there are any event opportunities that we may be able to host or co-partner with at the Southwest University Stadium.

8:19pm Discussion: Christian asked if Mountain Star Pride had any major future events planned.

- It was discussed that The Chuco Bears would love to co-host an LGBTQIA+ event for the community in the near future

8:23pm Discussion: Vice President Matt, mentioned that he would for Mountain Star Pride to develop an event calendar that covers the entire year. This way all organizations of the community know when events are taking place and we can work together as community to continuously show presence.

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8:25pm Discussion: Review of the Sponsorship Packet and reminding all Board of Directors that open enrollment for Sponsors starts Feb 1, 2024.

8:25pm Discussion: Recap of current Sponsors and our commitment to fulfilling our obligations according to their tier level. Current Sponsor;

Sunset West Health (RED)

- Step and Repeat (obligation met)
- Verbal recognition at events (5 events = 2 remaining) *Havana Nights, Outfest, Dragapalooza*
- Visual Logo Displayed at Events (5 events = 1 remaining) *Havana Nights, Outfest, Dragapalooza, Pride Night on the Rink*
- Event advertising and branding (5 events = 2 remaining) *Outfest, Pride Night on the Rink*
- Event entry fee waived (5 events = 4 remaining) *Outfest*
- Complimentary VIP table (5 events = 4 remaining) *Havana Nights*
- Vendor Registration Fee waived (5 events = 4 remaining) *Outfest*

8:27pm MOTION TO RECESS FOR 10 MINUTES requested by Ron, Secretary

- First Motion: Andrew, President
- Second Motion: Matt, Vice President

Vote PASSED with unanimous votes

8:37pm Discussion: Review and Approval of Mountain Star Pride Yearly Updated Bylaws Voting Commenced

9:46pm Discussion: Bylaws Voting Concluded

9:47pm PRESIDENTIAL RECAP

10:03pm ROUND TABLE DISCUSSION

10:20pm CLOSING THOUGHTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

10:21pm MEETING ADJOURNED by Secretary Ron (1st motion Matt, 2nd motion Ricky)


NEXT BOD MEETING WILL BE HELD ON JANUARY 25th AT KELLER WILLIAMS REALTY, 12040 TIERRA ESTE RD. STE 206. EL PASO TX 79938

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5. Certification

I certify that these are the true and correct minutes of the Board of Directors Meeting held on January 11, 2024



Ronald Nunez-Rupert
Secretary of Mountain Star Pride, INC.