



### **August 16, 2005 Meeting Minutes**

The August meeting was held at Mamacita's. Clifton Stapleton, opened the meeting by introducing new members and guests, including: Amanda Bennett, Sharla King, and Neal Linnartz. The Treasurer's report was provided and the minutes of the last meeting were approved.

Clifton Stapleton introduced Dr. Ron Reaves, Superintendent – NBISD - as the guest speaker for the meeting. Dr. Reaves provided a fascinating discourse of the challenges and opportunities facing the NBISD. Of the 850 employees of the NBISD, one half are teachers and one half are support staff for approximately 6,600 students in 7 elementary schools, 4 secondary schools and one high school dispersed over 75 sq. miles. NBISD has 37 bus routes using 95,000 gallons of fuel per year. Dr. Reaves provided further clarification on the difference between State Academic Excellence Indicators (AEI's) and the federal "No Child Left Behind" program standards.

The first order of business was to seek nominations for Secretary/Treasurer. None were offered, so Arnold Cardenas will continue in a dual role of Secretary/Treasurer and Vice President until the end of the year. Larry Hammonds volunteered to assist with Treasurer duties.

The next item on the agenda was to discuss the membership process. The consensus was that potential members attend a meeting, at the following meeting a discussion of the potential member will occur and a vote will be taken, after which the applicant will receive feedback on whether they were approved to become a member, an associate member, or were not approved.

Volunteers signed up for shifts to staff the NBMA Trade Show Booth on Sept. 14<sup>th</sup> from 10 am to 6 pm.

There was a discussion regarding reciprocal membership between the NBMA and the Greater New Braunfels Chamber of Commerce. George Bal moved that NBMA join the Greater NB Chamber and the move was seconded by Doug Toney. The membership approved by voice vote.

October 4 is Shadow Day. Home Depot Credit, Billing, & Catalog sales is operating and is adding 2- to 30 people per month.

Carter Casteel, State Representative, District 73 will be our guest speaker at the September meeting which will be held at Seekatz Opera House.

Respectfully submitted: Arnold J. Cardenas, Secretary/Treasurer & Vice President