



Portuguese Heritage Publications of California,
Inc

Executive Committee Meeting - April 3, 2013

M I N U T E S

Members present: Henrique Dinis, Isidro Espínola, José Rodrigues, Tony Goulart, José Luis da Silva, Lionel Goularte, Al Dutra, Joe Machado, Décio Oliveira

Meeting was called to order by President Henrique Dinis at 7:16 p.m.

I. Treasurer's Report

Isidro reported on volume of copies sold and revenue generated by *Power of the Spirit*. Motion to accept report made by Al Dutra, seconded by Joe Machado. Motion passed.

II. PHPC Meetings - Henrique Dinis

During our January general meeting it was suggested the Board meet in January and later in June/July. Discussion ensued. Tony stated we should have a meeting on ongoing projects, not another general meeting. Henrique stated we could have an executive committee meeting on a conference call with members from other parts of the state during which they would report where they are relating to the projects they have committed to work on. José R. thought that by asking people to report on their commitments it might make them fulfill them. Group agreed - with the exception of Tony - to have a second

board meeting by conference call, date to be determined.

III. Projects Update

a) Portuguese Politicians book - José R. stated that manuscript is done, photos need to be done. Tony said that all the graphics are done. Setting will be done by the end of May. José R. stated that the book should be ready to sell by August/September. Tony stated that 750 is the minimum of copies we have committed to print and that is the number we should print. Agreed by consensus.

b) Original Stories/Original People project - Henrique stated that Millicent has provided the contact of an organization that provides grants for this type of book in California. Criteria for grants will be published in May. Grant applications have an August deadline.

c) Tuna Fishing Industry - Tony is concerned that the project seems to be bogged down at the moment.

IV. Schedule of *Power of the Spirit* book presentations - Henrique

We have been selling about 100 books per month. We need to keep up the momentum with more book presentations. Possible locations for presentations before June are: Gilroy, Los Banos, Dos Palos, Gustine, Livingston, Hilmar. Also, we are planning a presentation at the PAC on April 26 and Five Wounds church on April 28, as well as Dia de Portugal at Kelly Park in June.

V. General Updates - Henrique

a) *Power of the Spirit* was entered in the International Latino Book Awards, best non-fiction multi-author category.

- b) *Capelinhos, Whalers* and *Cântico do Silêncio* were posted for sale on Atlântico Books (www.atlanticobooks.com) a site that has books for sale for academia.
- c) AbeBooks - we will discontinue our presence in AbeBooks since we haven't had any sales there.
- d) General Membership in PHPC - Henrique suggested we drop the idea of having general memberships. Unanimously approved.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:56 p.m.

Minutes respectfully submitted by José Luís da Silva, Historian, in the absence of the Secretary