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Senator
District 15th ~ Franklin (Part)

MINUTES OF THE BOARD MEETING December 4th, 2012

Supreme Court of Ohio Building
65 S. Front Street,
Columbus, OH 43215

Attendance

Commissioners - Present

Mary Santiago
Michael Florez
V. Anthony Simms-Howell
Richard Romero
Luis "Tony" Ortiz
Lourdes Barroso de Padilla
Max Rodas
Baldemar Velásquez
Emerald Hernández
Isabel Framer

Legislative Member of the Board

Representative Dan Ramos

Staff - Present

Lilleana Cavanaugh - Executive Director
Lair Marin-Marcum - Constituent Services & Office Manager
Nolan Stevens - Policy Liaison Officer

Call to Order

Chair Michael Florez calls meeting to order at 1:30 p.m.

Call of the Roll

There are ten Commissioners present, constituting quorum.

Motion #1 - 12-2012 - To approve the November 2012 Board Minutes. Moved by Commissioner Santiago. Seconded by Commissioner Framer. Motion carried.

Chair Florez requests the board to please be recognized before speaking for accurate reflection of the minutes.



Chair's Report and Commentary

Chair Florez presents his priorities for the newly elected executive board. The top priority is to concentrate on the budget defense. This work can be initiated during our Hispanic Legislative Visit Day (HLVD). Chair Florez all commissioners present and engaged on budget support during the HLVD in February. The second priority during the chairman's tenure is to concentrate on education. He affirms the importance of this area addresses Commissioner Ortiz to spearhead this objective. Third, Chair Florez respectfully requests all members of the commission to present any new items to be considered at the board meeting in advance to the Executive Director Cavanaugh or any member of the staff. This will allow the commission meetings to stay focused on our goals.

Vice Chair Framer reminds the board about the Civil Rights Town-hall meeting and wishes to ensure it is scheduled for the coming year. Chair Florez would like the executive board to review this event finalize details. If any of the Commissioners would like to get involved to please let him know before they executive committee meets.

Another priority area Chair Florez would like to focus on this year is the workforce development initiatives and the launching of a concerted effort to work hand in hand with the local SBDCs and the Hispanic Chambers of Commerce.

Finally, Chair Florez would like to appoint a commissioner to shadow and learn about the oversight work of the Finance committee with Commission Simms-Howell. Secretary Barroso de Padilla has been offered this role and she will consider and report back.

Floor is open for questions and comments.

Chair Florez hands floor to Executive Director Cavanaugh for Director's Report.

Directors' Report

Executive Director Lilleana Cavanaugh states that it's only been a couple of weeks since our last board meeting, therefore the reports will be very brief.

Executive Director hands floor to Public Policy Officer Nolan Stevens for Public Policy Report.

Public Policy Report

Public Policy Officer Nolan Stevens reports on the beginning of the Budget defense strategy, the Hispanic Legislative Day on Tuesday, February 5th. 2013, the planning of the Education Symposium, a putting together an LCR of the Voting registration, and his part of the 2012 Annual report.



Commissioner Velasquez would like some statistics on the voter's patterns . PPD Stevens reports that some of the existing reports disagree with each other and there aren't any fully completed reports yet, he will research the matter and share.

Secretary Barroso de Padilla would like to offer her help with making sure that Legislators attend the HLVD.

Vice Chair Framer knows that there are various entities that were doing voter registration; and would like to obtain this information to obtain a figure as close as possible of the Latino vote in Ohio. Chair Florez states that everyone would like to have the figures on the outcome of the Latino vote and suggest that they be posted on the website. PP Stevens responds that he will go ahead prepare.

Organizations Development Center (ODC) Report

Executive Director Cavanaugh reports on the progress of the new OCHLA website that will be up and running by the end of the year. A Health regional meeting will take place in Cincinnati on December 11, 2012 at the United Way of greater Cincinnati. Grants announcements and research continue underway and the internal goal is that between January and June.

Latino Community Network Report

Director Cavanaugh highlights the main activities starting with the HLVD, the Civil Rights Town-hall meeting, the Education Summit lead by Commissioner Ortiz that will take place on March 1st at Wright State University. The last event that is under review and research is a request from several organizations to host an Ohio Latino Women's Summit in 2013.

Floor opens for questions & answers.

Chair Florez asks commissioners to reserve the date for this year's Board retreat and asks for this to be a priority event. Per the calendar, Executive Director proposes April 9th. Many Commissioners have conflicts so another date will be reviewed at the next executive committee.

Motion #2 - 12-2012- To accept the Director's November report. Presented by Commissioner Velasquez. Seconded by Commissioner Simms-Howell. Motion carried.

Old Business

Chair Florez would like to remind Commissioners that the Financial Disclosure reports are due April 15th.

For the 2013 DHO on October 11, 2013 Chair Florez would like to see 100% participation in the evening event. He requests support from fellow commissioners in securing sponsors to cover costs for the event.



New Business

Commissioner Committee assignments were sent out to the commissioners. In the Workforce Development committee are Commissioners Romero, Velasquez, Florez and Hernandez. In the Education Committee are Commissioners Ortiz and Simms-Howell. In the Emerging Diversity committee:

- DHO: Commissioner Santiago
- Health: Commissioner Rodas
- HLVD & Agenda Latina: Commissioners Framer and Barroso de Padilla

Executive Director Cavanaugh will send a copy of the committees strategic initiatives to commissioners and during the board retreat the priorities for the next biennium will be more clearly defined. In addition, a couple of community leaders will form part of these committees as well.

Commissioner Simms-Howell comments that the Finance committee is also very important and will like to set up a couple of meetings to include Commissioner Barroso de Padilla.

Chair Florez extends an invitation to the commissioners to contact him or Director Cavanaugh know if they have any preferences on the committees they will be serving.

Chair Florez introduces the new Attorney General to the commission Carla Downing-Fitzgerald and hands her the floor to introduce herself.

Motion #3 - 12-2012 To go into public commentary. Presented by Commissioner Santiago. Seconded by Commissioner Framer. Motion carried.

Public present:

- Representative Dan Ramos speaks on his resolution of asking congress to make Puerto Rico a state.
- Rafi Rodriguez — Executive Director Ohio Chambers of Commerce & President of Ohio Center for Hispanic Leadership
- Goran Babic — Senator Manning's office—Legislative Aide

Motion #4-13-2012 To adjourn meeting. Presented by Commissioner Framer. Seconded by Commissioner Santiago. Motion carried.

Chair Florez asks PPO Stevens to give a the legislative update on bill hearings.

Board Meeting is adjourned by Chair Florez at 3:05pm.

Michael Florez, Chair

Lourdes Barroso de Padilla, Secretary



ADDENDUM TO MINUTES

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Motions Carried

<u>Motion #1 - 12-2012</u>	To approve the November 2012 Board Minutes
<u>Motion #2 - 12-2012</u>	To approve the November 2012 Director's Report
<u>Motion #3 - 12-2012</u>	To go into Public Commentary
<u>Motion #4 - 12-2012</u>	To adjourn the meeting



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ATTACHMENTS

DOCUMENT	AUTHOR
Director Reports: November 2012	Executive Director Lilleana Cavanaugh

