

MINUTES OF THE BOARD MEETING
June 10, 2014
Time: 1:30 pm

Vern Riffe Center - 19th Floor
Room 1960
77 South High Street, Columbus, OH 43215

Michael Florez, Chair
Cincinnati

Mary Santiago, Vice Chair
Lorain

Luis "Tony" Ortiz, Secretary
Dayton

V. Anthony Simms-Howell
Cincinnati

Iris Martinez Juergens
Dayton

Emanuel Torres
Columbus

Mike Robinson
Loveland

Jose Feliciano Jr.
Aurora

Dan Ramos
State Representative
District 56 ~ Lorain County

Matt Lynch
State Representative
District 76 ~ Geauga & Portage
Counties

Gayle Manning
Senator
District 13 ~ Huron & Lorain
Counties

Charleta Tavares
Senator
District 15 ~ Franklin County

Attendance

Commissioners - Present

Michael Florez - Chair
Mary Santiago
Luis "Tony" Ortiz
V. Anthony Simms-Howell
Iris Martinez Juergens
Emanuel Torres

Legislative Members - Present

Senator Gayle Manning

Staff - Present

Nolan Stevens - Public Policy Officer
Lair Marin - Community Liaison
Fausto Rivas - Administrative Clerk

Staff - Excused

Lilleana Cavanaugh - Executive Director

Call to Order

Chair Michael Florez calls meeting to order at 1:39 p.m. and Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag is recited.

Call of the Roll

There are 6 Commissioners present, thus constituting quorum.

Chair's Report and Public Commentary

Chair Michael Florez begins with old business by requesting motion to approve March 2014 Board Meeting minutes.



Chair hands the floor to Public Policy Officer Nolan Stevens for Public Policy Office March and April monthly reports.

PPO Stevens begins by briefly covering House Bill 130 which addresses prosecution human trafficking in Ohio. Chair Florez then discusses his experience with human trafficking in Hamilton County and that he believes there should a finger printing component added to the legislation. Chair hands the floor back to PPO Stevens. PPO Stevens the covers the effect of Senate Bill 310.

PPO Stevens then introduces the educational materials produced for Civics 101 and explains the focus on its accessibility. PPO Stevens reports on the 2014 Protecting Civil Rights Town Hall and informs the Commission of the ideas for next year's Town Hall. Finally, PPO Stevens provides an update on the status of the Borinqueneers efforts.

Commissioners Torres asks if we found out if there are any more survivors. PPO Stevens states it was difficult to locate them, informing there are others but it would just be hard to track them down individually.

Chair Florez hands the floor to Community Liaison Lair Marin for the Latino Community Network March and April monthly report.

Comm. Liaison Marin covers the Latino Health Conversations and provides the location and dates of the meetings that have already been held, as well as details for the future meetings that will be taking place. Community Liaison then details the topics discussed in the two Latino Health Conversation meetings that have already been held.

Comm. Liaison Marin then informs the Commission that the location of the Latino Health Summit will be Mount Carmel West and it will be held on August 8, 2014.

Comm. Liaison Marin the informs the Commission of the success that OCHLA had at the CHIP conference with the "Resources & Recursos" presentation. Then informs the Commission that OCHLA will have 2 new summer interns.

Chair Florez opens the floor for questions.

Commissioner Mary Santiago comments that they received great feedback for OCHLA's participation at the CHIP conference.



Comm. Liaison Marin informs the Commission that the DHO procedure has been updated. Finally, Comm. Liaison Marin informs provides an update on job postings (39 in March, 43 in April and 50 in May) uploaded to the OCHLA webpage.

Chair Florez hands the floor to Organizational Development Center Officer Georgina Alvarez.

ODC Officer Alvarez then introduces her work to the Commissioners provides an update on the implementation of the ODC's action plan. Then informs the Commission the many different meetings which she has attended in the Commissions behalf. ODC Officer Alvarez informs of efforts working with grassroots organizations to better serve Latinos and to enhance capacity building through grants. Finally, she offers the results from the community events from the Minority Health Grants.

Chair Florez hands the floor to Diana Pagan for a brief presentation to the Commission.

Diana Pagan introduces herself to the Commission as the Annual Fund Manager for the Festival Latino. Diana Pagan provides historical data on the growth of the Festival and details the focus of the Festival as a family oriented event. She also informs that the Festival Latino is being moved to Bicentennial Park this year and it will be held on August 9th & 10th. Finally she requests the Commissions assistance is dispersing information about the Festival Latino and invites the Commissioners to become a part of the Festival Latino steering committee.

Chair hands the floor back to Public Policy Officer Stevens.

PPO Stevens covers DACA efforts in regards to professional licensure because there is some confusing language in PRWOA which could prohibit DACA students from being licensed.

Motion #2 - 3 - 2014 - To approve the March and April monthly reports. Moved by Commissioner Tony Ortiz. Seconded by Commissioner Iris Martinez-Juergens.

Chair opens the floor to Committee summaries.

Commissioner Ortiz provides Education Summit summary.

Commissioner Torres provides Workforce & Development summit summary and informs the Commission of the themes for their future work.



Community Liaison Marin then highlights that the Latino Health Summit will be held on August 8, 2014 and that Commissioner Robinson is working on obtaining partnerships for the event.

PPO Stevens informs the Commission that Legislative Visit Day will be held on December 3, 2014.

Commissioner Santiago informs that the DHO will be held at Hilton Columbus Downtown and that letters requesting keynote speakers have been sent. Commissioner Martinez-Juergens offers her assistance in the processing of DHO applications.

Commissioner Ortiz informs that there will be a Business Summit that will be held on November 10, 2014 at the Wright State University Nutter Center.

Chair Florez reminds Commissioner Ortiz and Commissioner Santiago about their reappointments, since their term expires in October 2014. Chair also requests that the Ethics training information be emailed to each Commissioner.

Chair Florez raises the idea to consider rebranding the Commission to one constant nomenclature. Commissioner Torres states it would be crucial to consider the cost of rebranding. Commissioner Simms-Howell raises concern of legalities of changing the Commission's name. PPO Stevens then states that it should be possible to change the name in the statute if need be.

Chair Florez requests that Commissioners review the OCHLA Legislative Engagement Plan and the OCHLA Political Action Policy and states that the Commission will vote on them at the next Board Meeting. PPO Stevens then provides very brief summary for each of the documents.

Motion #3 - 6 - 2014 - To open the floor to public commentary. Moved by Commissioner V. Anthony Simms-Howell. Seconded by Commissioner Santiago. Motion carries.

Public present:

- Raul Soto - Ohio Department of Education
- Dr. Ray Draghi - Ohio Department of Education
- Diana Pagan - Ohio Festival Latino
- Senator Gayle Manning - State Senator
- Lynn Stevens - Governor's Office



Senator Manning informs the Commission that the budget has passed.

Lynn Stevens then salutes the Commission.

Dr. Ray Draghi from the Ohio Department of Education introduces himself to the Commission.

Raul Soto from the Ohio Department of Education salutes the Commissions and provides a brief introduction for Dr. Ray Draghi.

Everest Cruz then introduces himself as OCHLA contractor.

Dr. Ray Draghi offers the Commission presentation about the Migrant Title 1-C learning Opportunities and covers the programs offered in the State of Ohio and who is eligible for the programs.

Chair opens the floor to questions.

Motion#4 - 6 - 2014 - To adjourn meeting. Moved by Commissioner Santiago. Seconded by Commissioner Martinez-Juergens. Motion carries.

Board meeting adjourned by Chair Florez at 3:27 pm.

Michael Florez, Chair

Luis “Tony” Ortiz



**ADDENDUM TO MINUTES
June 10, 2014**

<u>Motion #1 - 6 - 2014</u>	To approve March 25, 2014 Board Meeting Minutes.
<u>Motion #2 - 6 - 2014</u>	To approve the March and April report.
<u>Motion #3 - 6 - 2014</u>	To open the floor for public commentary.
<u>Motion #4 - 6 - 2014</u>	To adjourn meeting.



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ATTACHMENTS

DOCUMENT	AUTHOR
March and April Report	Executive Director Cavanaugh
Public Policy Center Report	Public Policy Officer Nolan Stevens

