

MINUTES OF THE BOARD MEETING
February 19, 2019
TIME: 8:30 A.M.

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42nd Board of Commissioners

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District 13 ~ Lorain & Huron

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District 28 ~ Hamilton County

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State Representative
District 73 ~ Greene County

Attendance

Commissioners Present

Chair Mary Santiago Vice Chair Dan Molina
Sec. Beth Guzman Tony Ortiz
Michael Florez Elena Foulis Ph.D.
Rev. Juan Rivera Tony Simms-Howell
Emanuel Torres Gregory Guzman PhD

Commissioners Absent

Staff Present

Lilleana Cavanaugh -Executive Director
Juan Jaimes- Public Policy Officer
Lair Marin-Community Liaison
Annette Reyes- Administrative Professional
Janwin Zeegar-Holman- Vista
Jesse Dotson-Vista

Legislative Members Present

Lidia Mowad AG

Call to Order

Chair Santiago calls meeting to order at 8:30 a.m. The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag is recited, led by Commissioner Florez.

Call of the Roll

There are 10 Commissioners present, thus constituting quorum.

Approval of Minutes

Chair Santiago presents previous meeting's minutes to the board for review and approval.

Motion #1 2-2019

A motion to approve the minutes is presented by Chair Mary Santiago. A motion was made by Commissioner Michael Florez. It was seconded by Commissioner Greg Guzman. Motion Carries.

Agency Report

Chair Santiago hands the floor to Executive Director Lilleana Cavanaugh. Ms. Cavanaugh reports that the Annual Report was completed and has been distributed. Second, the AmeriCorps Vista grant request to serve as a program site was approved and that the current Vista members will finish their term this year. There is high possibility of increasing the number of VISTA members in the coming future. Eventually the hope is the Commission will be able place these members through this VISTA program



within different Latino serving organizations across the state. The Ohio State University will host Latino Health Summit in early October. We will be working with Dr. Glen Martinez and Commissioner Bowman along with Community Liaison Lair Marin as out LHS staffer.

Ms. Cavanaugh briefly mentioned outreach efforts in the Canton, Akron and now Youngstown area. Last year the commission embarked on this project to increase and build the networks for the lower Northeast area. Director Cavanaugh recognized the work and support from our team and Commissioner Rivera here who has really been working very hard with us to help us build the networks. An initial meeting for the Youngstown region is planned for Spring 2019.

The Latino Collaboratives in Cincinnati and Toledo. When the commissioners give their reports, you will hear about plans for this year and changes in leadership that were implemented as well as some of the initiatives that are taking place there.

Lastly Ms. Cavanaugh reports on the Commission's involvement with NALEO, the National Association of Latino Elected Officials and the National Commission on the Census 2020. Ohio will be the host for the Midwest Hearing on March 20th in partnership with The City of Columbus.

Finally, the Ohio Latino Network Directory, and the OLANET directory have been updated and are available online. Also, the CLOI, the Catalog of Latino Outreach Initiatives is going through its final revisions but will also be available online soon.

Motion #2 2-2019

With no questions, Chairwomen Santiago asks for a motion to accept the Agency Report. Commissioner Molina motions for the agency report to be accepted as given. Seconded by Commissioner Rivera. Motion Passes.

Chair Santiago then proceeds to the next item of business, the Fiscal Report.

Fiscal Report

Ms. Cavanaugh reports that the commission is on target as far as expenditures go. Savings on the payroll line item are the result of two positions unfilled positions towards the end of last year and a decrease on some of the costs and benefits of the public policy position. Cashflow projections will cover our costs to end of year; additional funding available will be utilized to complete our office space reorganization project that will be reviewed with the Executive Committee. All fiscal matters have been reviewed with the Finance Chair, Commissioner Simms-Howell.

Motion #3 2-2019



Chair Santiago requests a motion to accept the fiscal report as given. Commissioner Simms-Howell motions to accept the fiscal report as given. Seconded by Commissioner Florez. Motion passes.

Chair Santiago then proceeds to the next item of business, Regional Updates.

Regional Updates

Chairwoman Santiago invites Vice-Chair Dan Molina to provide the update for his region. The Latino Leaders Collaborative meeting was held on January 31st. New administration officials were introduced and the new executive orders issued by Governor DeWine were highlighted. A report on the status of the anti-bullying project presented by Dr. Melanie Colombo. Another big focus for the Collaborative will be the Census 2020 and Project Pipeline.

Commissioner Greg Guzman reports on Northwest Ohio and presents on Project EHCO- exposing Hispanics to careers in Ohio. Leadership Toledo is partnering with the Toledo Latino Collaborative to implement this project and Ms. Monika Ortiz from the Anderson's Corporation has accepted the invitation to serve as the leader of this initiative. We have set up a meeting in March. Commissioner Guzman reports on the results of a connection built with the University of Findlay regarding the National Hispanic Institute to increase Latino participation in this Institute. They're beginning to recruit individuals to attend the NHI not only in Findlay but throughout Ohio, providing an opportunity for Latino leadership development. Additionally, we continue to work with the University of Toledo to promote more Latino based initiatives for recruitment. So, we're making great progress in both areas.

There are no questions.

Commissioner Juan Rivera shares his regional report and the progress being made in building the Latino Youngstown Network. Executive Director Cavanaugh, Community Liaison Marin and Commissioner Rivera held conversations with different leaders, Hispanic leaders, OCCHA, and some faith leaders as well. Our team and community are eager to begin this much needed network and look forward to hosting the first meeting in the Spring.

There are no questions.

Chair Santiago reminded Board members to complete the 2018 Financial Disclosures by April 15th and to send documentation of completion to the office.

Chair Santiago asked if there were any questions. Being that there were none, she continues the meeting and asks for a motion to move to public commentary.

Motion #4 2-2019

Motion to go to Public Commentary moved by Commissioner Simms-Howell. Seconded by Commissioner Bowman Guzman. Motion Carries.

There is no public commentary.



Chair Santiago asks if there is any other business to discuss and there is no other business. Chair Santiago requests a motion adjourn.

Motion #5 2-2019

Motion to adjourn moved by Commissioner Florez. Seconded by Commissioner Guzman. Motion Carries. Board meeting adjourned by Chair Santiago at 9:08 a.m.

Signature/Date:
Mary Santiago- Chair

Signature/Date:

Elizabeth Bowman -Secretary



**February 19, 2019
 Motions Carried**

Motion #1 -2- 2019	To approve the Dec 4, 2019 Board Meeting Minutes.
Motion #2 -2- 2019+	To approve the December 2018, and January 2019 Agency Reports as submitted.
Motion #3 -2- 2019	To approve December 2018 and January 2019 Fiscal Reports as submitted.
Motion #4 -2- 2019	To go to public commentary.
Motion #5 -2- 2019	To adjourn meeting.

**February 19, 2019
 ATTACHMENTS**

DOCUMENT	AUTHOR
December 2018 and January 2019 Monthly Reports	Executive Director Cavanaugh
December 2018 and January 2019 Fiscal Report	Executive Director Cavanaugh

