

MINUTES OF THE BOARD MEETING
April 23, 2019
TIME: 1:30 PM2018~2019
42nd Board of Commissioners**Mary Santiago**
Chair
Lorain**Dan Molina**
Vice Chair
Loveland**Beth Guzman-Bowman**
Secretary
Columbus**Jose Feliciano Jr.**
Aurora**Michael Florez**
Cincinnati**Dr. Elena Foulis**
Columbus**Gregory Guzmán, Ph.D.**
Maumee**Manuel Lopez-Ramirez, MBA**
Springfield**Rev. Juan Rivera**
Campbell**V. Anthony Simms-Howell**
Cincinnati**Emanuel Torres**
Columbus**Tina Maharath**
State Senator
District 3 ~ Franklin County**Nathan Manning**
State Senator
District 13 ~ Lorain & Huron**Jessica Miranda**
State Representative
District 28 ~ Hamilton County**Rick Perales**
State Representative
District 73 ~ Greene County**Attendance****Commissioners Present**Vice Chair Dan Molina
Sec. Beth Guzman Manuel Lopez
Michael Florez Elena Foulis Ph.D.
Rev. Juan Rivera Tony Simms-Howell
Emanuel Torres Gregory Guzman
PhD**Commissioners Absent**

Chair Mary Santiago (Excused)

Legislative Members PresentRepresentative Jessica Miranda
Representative Rick Perales (Aide)
Senator Tina Maharath (Aide)
Senator Nathan Manning (Aide)**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**Call to Order**

Vice-Chair Molina calls meeting to order at 1:30 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag is recited, led by Commissioner Rivera.

Call of the Roll

There are 9 Commissioners present, thus constituting quorum.

Approval of Minutes

Vice-Chair Molina presents previous meeting's minutes to the board for review and approval.

Motion #1 4-2019

With note of correction to be made of Commissioner Feliciano's attendance on October February 19, 2019 meeting. A motion to approve the minutes is presented by Vice-Chair Molina. A motion was made by Commissioner Emanuel Torres. It was seconded by Commissioner Michael Florez. Motion Carries.



Agency Report

Vice-Chair Molina hands the floor to Executive Director Lilleana Cavanaugh, who provides highlights for the last couple of months.

The Latino Affairs Commission had the honor to host the Midwest Regional Hearing for the National Latino Commission on the Census 2020. This event was held in collaboration with the City of Columbus and brought together leaders from many states in the region, as well as local experts to discuss the impact of the Census 2020 on minority communities, with an emphasis on Latinos. This hearing was one of five hearings held across the nation in Los Angeles, CA; San Antonio, Tx; New York City, NY; and Orlando, FLA. A report on the findings will be issued by the National Association of Latino elected officials and will be presented to members of Congress, the Department of Commerce and key federal officials in Washington DC. As a serving member on this national board, Director Cavanaugh will be traveling to DC. to participate in the presentation of the report.

Director Cavanaugh has been asked to be an advisory member in the newly created Recovery Ohio Initiative approved by Governor DeWine. Our goal is to work with this office to ensure that services in mental health and drug addiction treatment and recovery are really supporting the needs of our community. This appointment aligns well with the Commission's priorities to build awareness and improve services for trauma and mental health as it affects the Hispanic community in Ohio. Our expertise will be enriching high-level conversations taking place in different as we shed light on the impact that mental health has not only on Latinos, but also on other ethnic minority communities in the state.

The Latino Networks on the Lower Northeast region continue to make progress. Commissioner Rivera, Community Liaison Marin-Marcum and Director Cavanaugh are effectively strengthening relationships in Canton, Akron, and most recently Youngstown with the goal to connect to Ashtabula and Painesville. The Latino community has grown tremendously in that area and regrettably there are not enough support systems in place to support that growth. Our goal is to support existing Latino organizations and social service providers, build networks and connect them to government partners who already have the mandate to serve those regions.

In the area of community and leadership development, Director Cavanaugh informs the board that committee chairs will be reporting on the upcoming Latino Health Summit, the Latino Education Summit and Latino Legislative Visit Day. In closing, Director Cavanaugh reports of our participation in the Hispanic Leadership Conference – CHIP- and informs the Commission is a presenter and will partner with NALEO for a Census 2020 Workshop, as well as participate as facilitators for the Mental and Behavioral Health Panel.



Motion #2 4-2019

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

Vice-Chair Molina then proceeds to the next item of business, the Fiscal Report.

Fiscal Report

Ms. Cavanaugh highlights the fiscal report and informs the board about fund availability in the amount of approximately \$35,000 to cover operational costs and a much needed office space renovation project. The funds come from savings due to positions that have remained unfilled (Public Policy Officer and ODC intermittent position) as well as some savings in fringe costs for these positions. Executive Director Cavanaugh has been working closely with this commission's Executive Committee to review the funding available and has obtained their approval to proceed with the space renovation project. The project cost is expected to be less on the range of \$25-\$30K and Director Cavanaugh is working with our DAS fiscal officer to make sure that all the approvals are being obtained regarding the bidding process for this space renovation.

By the end of April and beginning of May, cashflow forecast preparations for end of fiscal year encumbrances will be prepared and review with DAS Fiscal Officer. All fiscal matters have been reviewed with Finance Chair, Commissioner Simms-Howell.

Motion #3 4-2019

Vice-Chair Molina 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.

Vice-Chair Molina then proceeds to the next item of business, Committee Reports.

Committee Reports

Vice-Chair Dan Molina reports for the Executive Committee. In terms of the executive report, Lilly just did a fantastic job of outlining every detail associated with the workspace, which was one of the two to be covered on the Executive Committee report. The second one is the DHO. As of April 22nd, the University of Cincinnati confirmed that they are willing to host the DHO and they are proposing Saturday, September 21st as a date for the event. The DHO Committee will work with the UC team to begin projecting the timeline and details for this event. There are no questions.

Commissioner Rivera reports for the Civic Engagement Committee. An initial date of August 21st is under consideration depending on when legislators return from their summer break. The Committee will work on the structure of the agenda, how to involve community leaders and develop the theme.



Executive Director Lilleana Cavanaugh reports on the Census Committee and share the Census 2020 Action Plan Template, a tool developed to help our leaders, those that really impact the Latino Community to make sure they are engaged with local complete count committees and to build Latino representation. Connecting and working directly with the Latino serving organizations and faith institutions will be important to make sure outreach programs are effectively implemented. Our commission will be investing heavily on an educational campaign, as we know, federal resources for outreach and education will be limited and will require a lot more grassroots involvement.

The Commission will be working closely with the Development Services and the Complete Count Committee formed by Governor DeWine last week, as well as with the Census Regional Director Ms. Rose Simmons from the Pennsylvania office. There are no questions.

Dr. Elena Foulis reports for the Education Summit Committee. The Committee continues to make progress on the planning process, identifying speakers, tracks, and deciding whether we're going to put up a call for proposals. Kent State University is very supportive, and we are very appreciative of our partnership with this university. There are no questions.

Commissioner Beth Bowman reports for the Latino Health Summit Committee. The Latino Health Summit is on October 8th at the Ohio State University; the committee is working on the process of confirming speakers and working committee members to finalize other details. There are no questions.

Commissioner Florez reports for the Workforce Development Committee. The quarterly Chambers of Commerce Network Meeting took place in March. They are building their legislative priorities for 2019 and will be working closely on the complete count efforts for the Census 2020. There's a Latino Credit Union project expansion underway for Central Ohio and they also reported on the successful Latino construction capacity initiative underway in Cleveland, where the Workforce Development Agency, and the Spanish American Committee have worked with the contractors' association and with unions to provide paid apprenticeships to people to hopefully get them into the workforce in an accelerated time. There are already a great couple of success stories in this instance where people who've already gone through this program are now opening their own construction sub-contracting company.

Vice-Chair Molina also reports for the Workforce Development Committee. Southwest Ohio is looking at extending project pipeline. Partners include the Cincinnati public schools, the Chamber of Commerce, OCHLA, The Cincinnati Youth collaborative and the African American Chamber of Commerce, among other stakeholders. From the initial planning process, they have learned that heading down that road CPS will include other immediate stakeholders to make sure students and businesses will be ready to work together to ensure that students are ready and business have the ability to train and place those students. So, there was a great learning that took place, which basically said, let's take a step back and be sure that all the stakeholders are prepared. CPS is focused on what they call the three E's: Enrollment, Enlistment and Employment What that means from a pipeline to trade strategy in Southwest Ohio is to work with CPS and partners to figure out the best implementation strategy. So, we're now in quarterly discussions to share about the progress made in the Columbus effort as they start to progress the strategy between the businesses, the schools and other stakeholders. There are no questions.



Installation of New Commissioner

Manuel Lopez is sworn in by our Attorney General Representative. Commissioner Lopez is now the 11th Commissioner taking the place of Tony Ortiz, thus filling the last remaining board member position. Commission now has a full board.

Motion #4 4-2019

Motion to go to Public Commentary moved by Commissioner Simms-Howell. Seconded by Commissioner Torres. Motion Carries. There is no public commentary.

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

Motion #4 5-2019

Motion to adjourn moved by Commissioner Florez. Seconded by Commissioner Rivera. Motion Carries. Board meeting adjourned by Chair Santiago at 2:36 p.m.

Signature/Date:
Dan Molina – Vice Chair

Signature/Date:
Elizabeth Bowman -Secretary



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 Motions Carried

Motion #1 -4- 2019	To approve the February 19,2019 Board Meeting Minutes.
Motion #2 -4- 2019+	To approve the February 2019, and March 2019 Agency Reports as submitted.
Motion #3 -4- 2019	To approve February 2019, and March 2019 Fiscal Reports as submitted.
Motion #4 -4- 2019	To go to public commentary.
Motion #5 -4- 2019	To adjourn meeting.

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 ATTACHMENTS

DOCUMENT	AUTHOR
February 2019, and March 2019 Monthly Reports	Executive Director Cavanaugh
February 2019, and March 2019 Fiscal Report	Executive Director Cavanaugh

