

MINUTES OF THE BOARD MEETING
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June 9, 2020
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43rd Board of Commissioners

Mary Santiago
Chair
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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

Chair Mary Santiago
Vice Chair Manuel Lopez-Ramirez, MBA
Sec. Beth Guzman
Dan Molina
Michael Florez
Elena Foulis Ph.D.
Gregory Guzman PhD
Tony Simms-Howell
Rev. Juan Rivera
Jose Feliciano Jr.

Commissioners Absent

Staff Present:

Lilleana Cavanaugh -Executive Director
Carly McCain- Public Policy Officer
Lair Marin-Marcum- Community Liaison
Caeli Barnes- Social Media Coordinator Vista
Mary Grace Sanchez- ODC Vista

Legislative Members Present

Call to Order

Chair Santiago calls meeting to order at 1:31 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag is recited.

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 06-2020

A motion to approve the minutes is presented by Chair Santiago. A motion to approve was made by Commissioner Michael Florez. It was seconded by Vice Chair Manuel Lopez-Ramirez.
Vote 10-0. Motion Carries.



Agency Report

Executive Director Cavanaugh reports the activity for April and May 2020 focused on the response to the pandemic. Among the highlights are over 225 translations have been completed. Executive Director Cavanaugh has done 43 radio shows, providing the community in Ohio information about the governor press releases and press conferences. She has also been hosted on six Facebook Lives or Facebook interviews as well. Executive Director Cavanaugh and team members continue to regularly participate in different task forces, engaging in community calls and meetings to learn about and support the pandemic response. On average, Executive Director Cavanaugh and Lair Marin have done about 100 monthly meetings.

A report was provided regarding the mental health webinars that OCHLA has been able to present in collaboration with the National Hispanic and Latino Mental Health Technology Transfer Center Network (MHTTC), and the Universidad Central Del Caribe in Puerto Rico. Finally, Director Cavanaugh reports on the AmeriCorps VISTA program, the outgoing members and new Vistas that will join the program starting in July, 2020. There will be two Vista Members with the commission plus one member in Su Casa, in Cincinnati, and another one in El Centro, in Lorrain.

Public Policy Officer Carly McCain provided reports from the Public Policy Center. Senate Concurrent Resolution 14 and House Concurrent Resolution 31 have been introduced, and House Concurrent Resolution 31 is a companion resolution to the legislation which would declare racism a public health crisis and to promote racial equality. Also, Carly is monitoring the capital budget bills from the House and the Senate, [House Bill 670 from the House and Senate Bill 316 in the Senate,] the Senate version did include \$100,000 for Hispanic serving project up in the Cleveland area, and the commission had written a letter of support for that. Public Policy Officer McCain has also been tracking the Department of Education Resources to communicate relevant information to OCHLA networks in English and Spanish. Student Resources will be very helpful for students and families at this time. Finally, she informs that the Legislative Visit Day has been rescheduled for November 10 and the team will wait to see if the event can take place or may need to be rescheduled for 2021.

Community Liaison Lair Marin-Marcum has been handling the constituents calls and the office switchboard. She provided examples regarding calls and constituent inquiries. In April, Lair answered 76 calls and in May, it's been going down to answer 35 calls. But it's been a total of about 150 calls between mid March, April and May. Lair has been attending meetings regarding COVID 19 response, and informs of more organizations creating COVID-19 alliances throughout the state. An area of work focus has been the migrant and immigrant community; OCHLA has been working in collaboration with the Ohio Department of Health, ODJFS, Dept. of Agriculture and other state of Ohio workgroups to better understand and respond to the needs of this population. Finally, Community Liaison Marin-Marcum reports on the weekly email updates being sent out with information, resources, and the most relevant information regarding the pandemic. Examples of information included are: local free testing locations, pantries, other resources, information on organizations, food and medical treatment access, etc. Lair has been working with the Ohio Department of Job and Family Services to translate unemployment questions and has provided support in different research projects related to the Latino community and



outreach. Finally, the Central Ohio Hispanic Social Services and Health Directory, the Hispanic Faith Directory, translators and interpreters, the Latino Media and Attorneys List, and the ESL have been updated.

Social Media Coordinator Caeli Barnes updates on the social media report and reports a consistent growth on followers. She also explains that traffic numbers will begin to normalize, and trends will point to figures closer to pre-pandemic numbers. The COVID-19 resource pages still make up the top 10 pages visited on our website, which is good.

Organizations Development Coordinator Mary Grace Sanchez provided a report on Agenda Latina 2020. There was a total of about 155 people registered for the event which was a pretty large audience from what we had originally been expecting. The Mental Health webinar series has been successful thus far. The last session was last Wednesday, on June 3, and from the total four sessions we had 1,882 people join throughout the whole series, and that's the people that were able to join live, because the sessions were also posted on their YouTube channel for people to be able to see at a later time. The grant and mental health newsletters continue to circulate regularly along with individual email blasts to different groups relating to grants or mental health resources as appropriate. ODC also hosted the quarterly Latino Connection, as well as the Ohio Hispanic Chambers of Commerce meetings which were pretty insightful. Lastly, ODC Mary Grace along with Executive Director Cavanaugh has continue to manage the Latino Mental Health Navigator Grant by attending the training sessions and working on providing the reporting as the end of the grant period approaches.

Motion #2 06-2020

Chair Santiago asks for a motion to accept the Agency Report. Commissioner Dan Molina motions for the agency report to be accepted as given. Second by Commissioner Beth Guzman-Bowman. Vote 10-0. Motion Passes.

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

Fiscal Report

Vice Chair Manuel Lopez proceeds to present the fiscal report and discusses the document shared with Commissioners as part of their board meeting packet. Vice Chair Lopez reports the Office of the budget and management has issued the 2021 guidance, requiring all agencies to allot for 20% of specific budget line items to the 699 account. The executive committee reviewed the data, discussed scenarios and presented to commissioners' possible alternatives. After receiving feedback from board members, the plan is to cover if necessary, a potential \$17,842. 74 cents from the 6010 GSF fund, which is the rainy day fund. Currently, there is a balance of \$71,033.76 cents on this fund, which we can use to offset the potential shortfall. Vice Chair Lopez states he has received feedback separately from all the commissioners and this is the most effective option due to the circumstances and the board's desire to maintain operations and personnel at the present levels. Vice Chair Lopez would like to make a motion to approve to use the 6010 GSF [rainy fund] account to offset the shortfall based on the commission forecast.

Motion #3 06-2020



Chair Santiago requests a motion to accept the fiscal report as given. Commissioner Molina motions to accept the fiscal report. Seconded by Commissioner Foulis. Motion passes.

Motion #4 06-2020

Chair Santiago requests a motion to approve the use of a potential \$17,842.74 cents from the 6010 GSF fund to cover potential FY21 budget shortfall. Commissioner Molina motions to approve the use of the 6010 GSF fund as presented at this meeting. Seconded by Commissioner Tony Simms Howell. Motion passes.

Chair Santiago then proceeds to the next item of business, New Business.

Old Business:

Chair Santiago reminds all commissioners to complete the financial disclosures by Friday, July 15, 2020.

New Business:

Executive Director Cavanaugh invites Dr. Marilyn Sampilo to present on Hispanic and Latino mental health needs in response to the COVID 19 pandemic. Disparities associated with the Coronavirus pandemic are seen in communities of color for being disproportionately impacted.

Chair Santiago then proceeds to the next item of business, Public Commentary.

Motion #5 06-2020

Chair Santiago requests a motion to move to Public Commentary. Commissioner Molina motions to accept. Seconded by Commissioner Simms-Howell. Motion passes.

Public Commentary:

Chair Santiago asks if there is any public commentary to discuss. There is none. Commissioner Guzman asks if commissioners would like to have some more training on cultural biases. Chair Santiago requests a motion adjourn.

Motion #6 06-2020

Motion to adjourn moved by Commissioner Florez. Seconded by Commissioner Molina. Motion Carries. Board meeting adjourned by Chair Santiago at 2:40 p.m.

Signature/Date:
Mary Santiago- Chair

Signature/Date: _____
Elizabeth Bowman -Secretary



June 09, 2020 Motions Carried

Motion #1 -06-2020	To approve the April 21, 2020 Board Meeting Minutes.
Motion #2 -06-2020	To approve the April 2020 and May 2020 Agency Reports as submitted.
Motion #3 -06-2020	To approve April 2020 and May 2020 Fiscal Reports as submitted.
Motion #4 -06-2020	To approve use of 6010 GSF fund to cover potential FY21 budget shortfall
Motion #5 -06-2020	To move to public commentary.
Motion #6 -06-2020	To adjourn meeting.

June 09, 2020 ATTACHMENTS

DOCUMENT	AUTHOR
April 2020 and May 2020 Monthly Reports	Executive Director Cavanaugh
April 2020 and May 2020 Fiscal Report	Executive Director Cavanaugh

