



**City of Bloomington
Commission on Hispanic and Latino Affairs**

**Wednesday, August 28th, 2024 @ 5:30-7:00 PM
Public Meeting Hooker Conference Room**

MINUTES

Attendance: Jimena Holguin, Alysa Schroff, Javier Rosales, Dinorah Sapp, Raquel Anderson.

Absent: Marlo Libel, Mariella Arredondo.

Staff Liaison: Ximena Martinez

I. Call to order at: 5:34 PM

II. Approval of May's meeting minutes: Approved

III. LIAISON REPORT

A. Open seats – 2 Voting Members

- Veronica & Giovanni resigned due to moving out of the county, both with voting privileges.
- Mariela and Jimena who are non-voting are applying for these positions.
- Ximena explained the process for Mariella and Jimena to follow.
- 2 non-voting positions will thus be available.

B. Black y Brown Arts Festival / Fiesta del Otoño – Booth for CHLA

- **Black y Brown Arts Festival**, September 14, 10am-12pm, Switchyard Park Pavillion. **Attending Raquel, Alyssa.**
- **Fiesta del Otoño**, September 21, Switchyard Pavillion, noon-4pm. **Attending Marlo, Jimena, Javier, Alyssa**

C. IU Immigration Panel Discussion - September 10th, at 1:15-2:15 pm

- Joe Coleman, IU Media School invited CHLA to panel
- **Raquel and Javier** will check if possible to attend (previous engagement), **Alyssa** volunteered to go in case they can't.

D. September Meeting: Wednesday 25th, 5:30 pm

NOTE: various materials will be available at CHLA booth (interpreter flyer and questionnaire - **Jimena**, grant from IU credit union flyers, ILI Scholarship flyer, CHLA applications flyer - **Dinorah**. Mariella could join any of these events.

IV. CURRENT BUSINESS

A. EDUCATION: RAQUEL, DINORAH, ALYSA, MARIELLA

i. Address Counselor BHSS

- Parent's square (newsletter) can be translated (parents need to know)
- Alyssa will meet with Romeri (Romeri out of town)
- Alyssa data dive on graduation and will report on this Sept meeting; she will send updates prior to this meeting
- Alyssa met with Kelsey (intern)

- Alyssa spoke with Giovani re:families in MCCSC, has emails of some families and will contact them, as well as meet with high schools re: counseling.

ii. Organize Informational Sessions with High School Students and Parents Regarding College

- Raquel met with Lillian
- Collaborate with La Casa, CCL & Commission, and also Parent University (MCCSC)
- To do: establish meeting time for committee; Raquel will send email to establish times; Dinorah to check with PU.

B. HEALTH SERVICES: MARLO, JIMENA

i. Interpretation and translation within the health care providers, especially IU Health

- Indiana Latino Institute provide scholarships for this
- Got names of people who had medical interpretation; 2 interested and Marlo connected them with IU Health
- 5 people from Bloomington and taking it
- 8 people certified in Bloomington, IN
- Difficulty connecting with people in the ER
- Met with new DEI person at IU Health, will connect us with the necessary people

ii. Access to Medical Interpretation – survey

- Discussed strategies for getting the surveys completed

C. PUBLIC RELATIONS JAVIER, MARIELLA, JIMENA

i. Foro Latino de Agencias – Organize quarterly meetings with community agencies.

- Veronica doing the letter for the agencies
- Javier has contacted interested agencies
- Jimena asked to join the group and YES!

ii. Information / welcome sessions (2x a year) to cover several topics such as transportation, safety, housing, health, and education. Potential sites: MCPL, CCL, churches, Adult E.C.

- Mariella working on this

iii. Issue of sustainability – develop materials – informational

- **Ximena** will check with the OOTM potential you tube, instagram, facebook account.

D. FUNDRAISING: MARLO, RAQUEL, ALYSA

- i. IU O’Neil School (Raquel), IU Kelley School (Jimena) (social impact), Dept Spanish & Portuguese**

E. UPDATES FROM PRIOR MEETINGS:

V. ADDITIONAL ITEMS:

- **Raquel** will start a list with current projects and will be sent to all by end of week, so everybody will fill out with their Subcommittee projects by **Wednesday September 4** and **Jimena** will prepare flyer for events.

VI. GUESTS/PUBLIC COMMENT (Please allow 3-5 minutes per guest)

- A. Commission on Sustainability (Justin Vasel) – introduced the Commission and its goals, and indicated interest in potential collaboration.**

VI. ADJOURNMENT at: 7:02 PM