



City Of Bloomington
Commission on Hispanic and Latino Affairs
Wednesday, February 23, 2022
@ 5:30-7:00 PM Zoom Public Meeting

MINUTES

The Commission on Hispanic and Latino Affairs (CHLA) works to identify and research the issues which impact the Hispanic and Latino populations in Bloomington, especially in the areas of health, education, public safety and cultural competency. CHLA responsibilities include: developing action committees, promote positive remedies for issues confronting Latinos, network with like-minded organizations, and celebrate Latino and Hispanic history and contributions to the Bloomington Community.

In Attendance: Amy Oakley, Josefa Madrigal, Ruben Martí, Pedro Ramirez, Francisco Ruiz Lemus,

Not in Attendance: Nico Sigler, Luis Fuentes Rohwer, Dairo Baez

I. Approval of January 2022 Minutes

- a. Motion to approve Jan 2022 minutes from Ruben; Amy seconds; Jan. 2022 min passed

II. Liaison Report Re appointments

- a. **Congratulations on your Re-Appointment** Francisco Ruiz Lemus, Dairo Baez, Pedro Ramirez, Ruben Martí

III. Current business

a. Health and Public Safety Report

- i. Do's & Don't Q&A with Amigos Club April 1 10:45am - 11:30am BNHS (Ruben and Francisco will facilitate)
- ii. TBA on South HS
- iii. March 6 at 12:10pm at Sherwood Oaks Community Church - Zoom community Event Do's & Don'ts Q&A

b. Cultural Competency

- i. N/A with Nico absent

c. Education-

- i. March 4, 2022 MCCSC has announced that masks will become optional
 - 1. Indiana University will also go mask-optional on March 4th, and it's expected that the health department will also announce masks to be optional. This will likely impact the city's decision to become mask-optional as well.
- ii. Community conversation with MCCSC administration & Parents?
 - 1. Other ideas

IV. Additional Items

- a. Josefa will be in inviting Maritza Alvares with El Centro Comunal Latino to discuss new projects
- b. Nico will resign from the commission effective 2.23.2022

V. Guests/Public Comment (Please allow 3-5 minutes per guest)

- a. Charles Culp - After-Hours Ambassador, Community and Family Resources
 - i. 9-5 Tues/Wed, Mon/Thurs/Fri 5pm-1am
 - ii. 1st-10th street, Rogers St. to Indiana Ave.

- iii. Assists with community resources for people, works with unhoused individuals, connects with students
- iv. Working to develop a volunteer core
- v. Works closely with Shalom Center, Wheeler Mission, and Bloomington Homeless Coalition

VI. Adjournment

- a. Motion to adjourn; meeting adjourned at 6:07pm

Next meeting March 30th, 2022