



City Of Bloomington
Commission on Hispanic and Latino Affairs

Wednesday, July 26 2023 @ 5:30 PM
Public Meeting Hooker Conference Room

MINUTES

Attendance: Luis Fuentes –Rohwer, Rubén Martí, Pedro Ramírez, Raquel Anderson.

Staff Liaison: Ximena Martinez

- I. Call to order at 5:31 pm
- II. Approval of July's meeting minutes. Motion to approve by Rubén Martí. Second by Raquel Anderson. All in favor. Unanimous decision.
- III. **Nomination of the Secretary.** It will rotate every meeting in alphabetical order. Pedro will be the Secretary for this session.
- IV. **Liaison Report**
 - a. WFHB Hola Bloomington. Invitation to the Commissioners to come as a guest.
 - b. Boletín Comunitario. Invitation to write an article.
 - c. La Fiesta del Otoño. Invitation to the CHLA to host a table.
 - d. Movies in the Park. Raquel will give the speech on behalf of the CHLA.
 - e. Black & Brown Arts Festival. Invitation to host a table as the CHLA.
 - f. Volunteer from IU. An IU student is interested in volunteering.
 - g. August Meeting. Raquel will be absent for the fall semester. Luis will be commuting to Boston.
- V. **Current business**
 - a. **Health and Public Safety Report**
 - i. Reaching out to Health Department -Data/Demographic/Latinos and Health. Dairo was absent.
 - b. **Public Relations**
 - i. The inventory of entities working or interested in Latino/Hispanic affairs as a list of resources and liaisons speaking Spanish from each Department would be ready for the October meeting.
 - ii. The quarterly meetings with Latino communities at Churches for Q/A and a panel afterward as an information session, would be set up on a calendar according to the churches' availability.
 - c. **Education**
 - i. The future workshop involving MCCSC & Parents, other strategic ideas, and planning would be set up after Luis's meeting with Dr. Weinstein.
 - d. **Updates from prior meetings:**
 - i. Raquel showed the expulsion rate data at MCCSC.
 - ii. Mental Health & Nutrition, availability, and access to health providers. Marlo was absent.

VI. Additional Items

- a. Honor Patricia Marvin: Luis will do research regarding naming scholarships after her. Her photo and bio will be included in the City Hall September Display Case and at La Fiesta del Otoño.
- b. Cultural sensitivity for non-Spanish speaking people by Pedro.

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

VI. Adjournment at 6:31 pm

Next meeting, Wednesday, August 30, 2023 at 5:30pm