



City Of Bloomington Commission on Hispanic and Latino Affairs

Wednesday, September 26th, 2018

Time: 5:30 p.m.

**Hooker Conference Room #245, City Hall
401 N. Morton Street, Bloomington, IN 47404**

In Attendance: Israel Herrera, Shelley Sallee, Josefa Luce, Ricardo Martins, Gracia Valiant

Also in attendance: Amy Oakley

Attendee not present: Irasema Rivera, Ruben Martí

Guests: Christine Stevenson, Penny Githens, Julie Roberts,

Meeting was called to order by Shelley Sallee

Approval of Minutes – August Minutes motion to approve Gavin, second Gracia
September 13th Special Meeting motion to approve Gracia, second Gavin

I. Liaison Report:

- NHHM Oct1/Oct3/Oct12/Oct13/Oct15
 - Josefa has given us the dates for many of the NHHM events.
- Support events, distribute information to others, share events.
- The Fiesta Del Otoño was a great success. We felt more people attended this year and stayed longer.

II. Old Business

- a. Co-Commission Project - Nothing to report at this time

III. New Business

- a. Health and Public Safety Report - Ricardo is proposing the idea to teach Spanish to the Bloomington Police Department and Sheriff's department.
- b. Cultural Competency Committee Report - Rio Mira at St. Paul's Catholic Center Sept 29th. Reach out and invite your friends.
- c. Education
 - a. NHHM CHLA Awards Ceremony
 - i. October 3, 2018 @ 5:30 pm MCPL Auditorium
 - 1. Ed Hinds - Outstanding Community Advocate
 - 2. Unitarian Universalist Church - Outstanding Agency
 - 3. Atwater Eye Clinic - Outstanding Business
 - 4. Luis Hernandez - Outstanding Latino Leader
 - 5. Deisy de Santiago - Outstanding Latino High School Student
 - 6. Thais Vieira dos Santos Hauskrecht - Outstanding Latino HS Student

Israel has many guests from MCCSC coming to the awards ceremony.



- A. Escuelita will soon begin Portuguese. This will be incorporated as a parallel experience with the Spanish education as well. The commission is excited for updates on this new program.
- d. Current Issues
 - a. City ID - Gracia has removed herself from the project due to concerns for exposing undocumented community members to unwanted law enforcement attention. Undocuhoosiers has not responded to Gracia's concern and because of this, Gracia has felt it is not prudent to continue with this project. Until local law enforcement can agree to not utilize this program as a way to further investigate our undocumented community members.

IV. Additional Items

- A. Bryan Pitts
- B. Penny Githens - Penny is a candidate for State Rep in District 60. Indiana has no Hate crime law. All law enforcement should wear body cams. We should provide the opportunity for undocumented community members to receive a driver's license. Prenatal care for undocumented persons is not provided. Education of sensitivity for our education system (cultural awareness).
- C. Amy Oakley - SPH will be bringing in a guest speaker, Dr. David Hayes Batista(Director of Latino culture and Health at UCLA). December 7th 1:30pm @ SPH.

V. Adjournment