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Wednesday, July 29, 2020 at 5:30 PM Zoom Public Meeting AGENDA

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, Dario Baez, Luis Fuentes-Rohwer, Nico Sigler, Josefa Luce, Ruben Marte Not in Attendance: Ivan Maceda, Francisco Ruiz

Also in Attendance: Natalia Galvan, Israel Herrera, Abby Ang

I. Approval of minutes- June 24 Minutes/ Approval of July 7 minutes.

- i. Luis motions to approve the June 24, 2020 minutes; Shelley seconds; All in Favor. Motion Approved.
- ii. Shelley motions to approve the special meeting minutes from July 7, 2020; Luis seconds; All in favor. Motion Approved

II. Liaison Report-

i. No updates

III. **Current business**

- a. Voting on a new chair for the commission
 - i. Shelley nominates Nico to serve as the Chair of the Commission in place of Gavin Everett who recently stepped down. Shelley Motioned. Luis Seconds. All in favor.
- b. Health and Public Safety Report
 - i. Monroe Co. is a part of the surge of COVID-19 patients. HealthNet is seeing increased number of sick patients. The clinic has been approved to do COVID-19 testing and will begin doing so very soon. Results should be back in 3-5 days but could take longer with the surge in cases. The clinic currently has a medical assistant and dental assistant opening.
- c. Cultural Competency
 - i. Nico was by a representative from Fiesta Indianapolis (a Latino Arts Festival) about the Black y Brown arts festival. They wanted some Latino Artists suggestions.
- d. Education
 - i. Luis shares concerns about MCCSC moving to an online format and how this will affect POC and low income families
 - ii. There are further concerns about IU opening to in-person classes and how this will affect the community.

IV. Additional Items

- a. Kelley Hope Digital Project
 - i. Kelley Hope project team is looking for people in the community to help them connect to minority owned business.
 - ii. Abby Ang has created an informal directory and is willing to provide us with her resources.
- b. Discussion about a fundraising account
 - i. This was originally Gavin's idea and Nico has already raised about \$250 for the commission.
 - ii. There is support from other commissioners to continue fundraising and to be able to offer scholarships or other assistance in the future.
 - iii. Commission would like to invite Beverly to attend a meeting to discuss what we can/can't do, and how the funds can be used.

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

VI. Adjournment

i. Meeting adjourned at 6:38pm

August 26, 2020