

# **COMMISSION ON HISPANIC AFFAIRS**

COMISIÓN DE ASUNTOS HISPANOS

# **Commission on Hispanic Affairs Board Meeting**

Washington Hospitality Association 510 Plum St SE, Olympia, WA 98501 March 24, 2018, 12:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Brian Moreno *Chair* 

David Morales Vice Chair

Nora Coronado

Regular Business

Anita Ahumada INTRODUCTIONS AND WELCOME

Juan José Maldonado Leonor de Maldonado

**CALL TO ORDER** 

Welcome and introductions were given. Meeting was called to order at 12:00 p.m.

Rene Maldonado

**ROLL CALL** 

Paula Martinez

Commissioners Present: Anita Ahumada, Alex Ybarra, Brian Moreno, David Morales, Juan Jose

Maldonado, Leonor de Maldonado, Nora Coronado, Paula Martinez, Rene Maldonado

*Lisa van der Lugt*Executive Director

Alex Ybarra

Staff: Executive Director, Lisa van der Lugt; Executive Assistant, Brenda Portaro; Field Representative, Omar Manzo

## APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion was made at 12:01 by David Morales to approve the agenda and was seconded by Leonor de Maldonado. With no further changes, the agenda was unanimously approved.

#### **EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

Director van der Lugt provided the Director's Report overview including an update on the Commission's financial report, legislative session, agency outreach, community events, and issue area.

Next call April 13<sup>th</sup>, and the schedule is on Slack.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

Motion to remove 30.10.94 CHA. Motion at 12:24 by Alex Ybarra, and seconded by Paula Martinez.

Sponsorship to get \$150 per commissioner. Motion to approve by executive committee before money is spent by Rene Maldonado at 12:26 and seconded by Leonor de Maldonado. Motion passed unanimously.

#### WHAT IS A CHA COMMISSIONER?

Chair Brian Moreno walked through the expectations of being an effective commissioners. Commissioners are expected to come up with their own plans by the June meeting.

#### STATE AGENCY PRESENTATION (LNI)

By: Joel Sacks Director of Department of Labor and Industries, Liz Smith Deputy Director of LNI, Vicky Kennedy, Lori Evans, Uriel Iniguez.

Director Sacks would like to continue to build a partnership.

He reiterated the following information.

- LNI does not ask about immigration status.
- People should feel safe when they go to LNI
- How could LNI make the experience the best as possible?

CHA asked for several updates, including the status of doctors in Mexico, language access, IME's, their civil rights department, training on cultural competency, and others. CHA will form working groups to address these issues with LNI. We would like to learn more about these issues with the intention of assisting with a solution.

LNI provided an update on the process around claims. We need more time to discuss and we will follow-up with another meeting for a more specific overview.

LNI would like to ensure that farmworkers know their rights to the services that LNI provides. Could we help with that?

#### **DEBRIEF**

Want to keep the pressure to LNI and their case workers.

Workgroups will be convened in the near future.

## **REVIEW ACTION ITEMS**

Chair Moreno will send an elevator speech and model document of what is a commissioner.

Director van der Lugt will send a proposed roadmap on what workgroups could be formed. These workgroups should be developed in the next couple of weeks.

Commissioners will transition from regular email to Slack. Should be proficient by June meeting.

Commissioner Ahumada will assist Commissioner Juan Jose Maldonado with a proposal to the commission.

Commissioner Ybarra will reach out to Commissioner Rene Maldonado regarding school funding in his area.

Commissioner Ybarra and Commissioner Leonor Maldonado will work on getting an education position paper to Director van der Lugt by April 6<sup>th</sup>.

#### AJOURNMENT

Motion was made by Commissioner Ybarra at 4:54 p.m. to adjourn the meeting and was seconded by Commissioner Coronado. With no further discussion, the motion was approved unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 4.55 p.m.