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Commission on Hispanic Affairs Board Meeting
Connect Workplace
8350 W Grandridge Blvd 200, Kennewick, WA 99336
September 8, 2018, 9:00 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

Brian Moreno
Chair

Regular Business

David Morales
Vice Chair

INTRODUCTIONS AND WELCOME

Anita Ahumada

CALL TO ORDER

Julieta Altamirano-
Crosby

Welcome and introductions were given. Meeting was called to order at 8:58 a.m.

Nora Coronado

ROLL CALL

Juan José Maldonado

Commissioners Present: Brian Moreno, David Morales, Paula Arno-Martinez, Julieta Altamirano-Crosby and Alex Ybarra.

Leonor de Maldonado

Commissioners Absent: Anita Ahumada and Leonor Barrientes de Maldonado.

Rene Maldonado

Paula Martinez

Staff: Maria Sigüenza, Executive Director; Brenda Portaro, Executive Assistant.

Alex Ybarra

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

María Sigüenza
Executive Director

Motion was made at 9:00 a.m. by Paula Arno Martinez to approve the agenda and was seconded by Carlos Ruiz. With no further changes, the agenda was unanimously approved.

WHY CHA?

Commissioners present and staff explained why they are part of the commission.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion was made at 9:44 a.m. by Alex Ybarra to approve the meeting minutes from June 2018 and was seconded by Carlos Ruiz. With no further changes, the agenda was unanimously approved.

Motion was made at 10:20 a.m. by David Morales to approve the meeting minutes from August 2017 and was seconded by Alex Ybarra. With no further changes, the agenda was unanimously approved.

COMMISSIONERS UPDATES:

Commissioner Ybarra gave an update on the education meetings that he had been attending. Ybarra also explained that Governor Inslee is working with Microsoft and the Quincy School district to fund infrastructure for high-speed internet in the city.

Commissioner Martinez explained that there is a fear in Wenatchee regarding ICE raids and hopes to work with local organizations in Wenatchee to educate people and do more of know-your-rights workshops.

Commissioner Ruiz is working in workforce development with PTAC and will be engaging the budget committee.

Commissioner Moreno is working with P-TECH and they will launch three pilot programs in Lake WA, Tri-Cities, and Everett. A bill will need to be drafted for funding and rule changes to allow the program to launch the pilots.

Commission Altamirano-Crosby will have a call with a coalition to eliminate sexual assault in farmworkers.

Commissioner Morales participated on the task force meeting where many farm workers advocates attended, attended a Jury Task Force meeting as well. Explained that the Yakima Response network is putting out training for Latino employers for 99 audits.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Director Sigüenza provided the Director's Report overview including an update on the Commission's financial report, agency outreach, staff recruitment and commission applicants.

REVIEW COMMISSIONER APPLICANTS:

Director Sigüenza overviewed the process of selecting applicants.

The commissioners gathered to look at each application, and selected three applicants to move forward for interviews.

2019 PRIORITIES & STRATEGY

Director Sigüenza created a chart with all the issues that the commission will be involved in during the legislative session.

LABOR & INDUSTRIES

The commission discussed how to collaborate with Labor and Industries in the future.

REVIEW ACTION ITEMS

Schedule a call for the EC to talk about social media and outreach.

Staff will send out doodle poll to figure out the best time for potential commissioner interviews.

AJOURNMENT

Motion was made by Commissioner Carlos Ruiz at 2:15 p.m. to adjourn the meeting and was seconded by Commissioner Paula Arno Martinez. With no further discussion, the motion was approved unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 2:15 p.m.