

## **Meeting Minutes**

### Indiana Commission on Hispanic and Latino Affairs

August 19, 2021

**Call to Order:** A meeting of the Indiana Commission on Hispanic/Latino Affairs was held on August 19 via a hybrid meeting at Conference Room D in the Government Center South and virtually on WebEx.

**Commissioners in attendance:** Chairman Palermo Galindo, Representative Mike Andrade, Commissioner Pamela Ferguson\*, Commissioner Brenda Graves-Croom, Treasurer Herb Hernandez, Secretary Daniella Jordan-Gonzales, Commissioner Rebecca Kubacki, Vice-Chair Beatriz Pacheco\*, Commissioner Jesusa Rivera\*, Senator Jack Sandlin

**Commissioners absent**: Commissioner Marta Arrizabalaga, Commissioner Susana Duarte de Suarez, Commissioner Christian Gallo, Representative Peggy Mayfield, Commissioner Stephanie Price, Senator Greg Taylor

**Others in attendance:** Greg Wilson, Virgil Giles, Erik England, Alexander Conrad; Representative of the Indiana House of Representatives

Review and Approval of Meeting Minutes: June 17, 2021 Meeting Minutes first motion was by Commissioner Kubacki, second motion by Commissioner Rivera and the motion passed.

#### Erik England, Chief Financial Officer of The Indiana Civil Rights Commission – Presentation:

- For all future grants from ICHLA, a Grant Agreement will be used to streamline the procurement process.
- The grant agreement contains the Grant Agreement contract, Exhibit A: The application itself, and Exhibit B: Breakdown of what the organization will use the grant for.
- The grants will have to be submitted by April 30<sup>th</sup> for appropriate time to be allotted for the procurement process.

#### **Director's Report:**

- Director Gonzalez's two main areas where she would like to prioritize COVID-19 resources and language accessibility.
- Presented all the partnerships she has made since she started this position on June 28.
- New Instagram was created for ICHLA, @INLatinoAffairs
- Put forth a motion to vote for the National Hispanic Heritage Month Event
  - o September 16, 2021 at Robert D. Orr Plaza
  - At the Statehouse Market
- Motion was voted down by the Commission

<sup>\*</sup>Indicates attendance via WebEx

- This sponsorship is a promotional opportunity where ICHLA would be able to be put forth in the public sphere.
- \$3,500 is the amount for the Silver Sponsorship which includes
  - Acceso Total (through Streamyard) November 2021 (date to be determined) 4pm we have 5 minutes for this interview.
  - De todo un poco (through Streamyard) November or December 2021 (date to be determined). We have 15 minutes for this interview, it is divided on 3 segments (5,6 and 4 minutes).
  - Indiana Latino Expo Show Telemundo office we can schedule November
    2021 (date to be determined) at 1:00pm
  - Indiana Latino Expo Awards Gala 12/3/2021 Indiana Latino Civil Rights Leader Award (see attached document with information about ILE Awards).
  - Recognizes a Latin@ individual who has shown outstanding leadership in efforts to remove barriers for all Hoosiers, so that they may freely enjoy goods, services, housing, and employment unencumbered by discrimination.
  - Makes an exceptional contribution by demonstrating a commitment to equity and equal opportunity
- ICHLA commissioners would like for an application to be completed by the
  Indiana Latino Expo before the Silver Sponsorship is considered as it could create
  a precedent for other organizations to request sponsorships.
  - Vice Chair Pacheco: Motion to have all external organizations requesting funding to follow the grant application process and to not award any organization and funding outside of the application process
    - Second motion by Commissioner Hernandez
    - Motion passed

Chairman's Report: Given the increased cases in our Hispanic/Latino communities and because many of our community members are in the front lines or continue to be essential workers, it is imperative to have vaccinated as many people as possible. Our communities are suffering, and we need to have organizations to collaborate and fight off the pandemic. The Chairman would like to work with organizations to help with COVID-19 resources and to help with vaccination sites for the Hispanic/Latino community and strongly encourages everyone to get vaccinated.

# **Subcommittee Report-Grant Committee:** Update on Grant Timeline

| September 1st                       | Application release                           |
|-------------------------------------|---|
| November 1st                        | Application due                               |
| November 2nd - mid-December meeting | Grant committee review period                 |
| mid-December meeting                | ICHLA meeting, vote on the awarded applicants |
| January 1st                         | Notification of award                         |

Meeting Adjourned at 3:00pm

Next Meeting in 2021: October 21 & December 16