

# **Meeting Minutes**

# Indiana Commission on Hispanic/Latino Affairs

**Call to order**: A special meeting of the Indiana Commission on Hispanic and Latino Affairs was held at the Indiana Government Center North, 100 N. Senate Ave Rm N300 Large Conference Room on Thursday, February 20, 2020. The meeting convened at 1:08 pm, by Chairman, Christian Gallo. Established quorum of 9 physically present members and 3 members over the phone.

Members in attendance: Christian Gallo (Chairman), Herb Hernández (Treasurer), Representative Earl Harris, Rep. Peggy Mayfield, Brenda Graves-Croom, Diana Feliciano, Francisco García, Daniella Jordán, Palermo Galindo, Armando González. Those present by phone call: Beatriz Pacheco, Rebecca Kubacki, and Jesusa Rivera. Public member present: Kristina Blankenship (FSSA), Timothy Schultz (ICRC), Gregory Wilson (ICRC), and Mauricio

**Members not in attendance:** Pamela Ferguson, Stefanie Price, Senator Jack Sandlin, Senator Jean Breaux and Susana Suárez.

**Approval of minutes**: Motion was made by Rep. Earl Harris and seconded by Christian Gallo to approve the minute of December 12, 2019. **Motion carried.** 

# Officers' reports:

- -Treasurer Herb Hernandez presented the updated budget. The fiscal year started with a total budget of \$102,432.00, and remain budget is \$45,315.58 as of December 31th, 2019. The Operating account is \$45, 315.58 and the special fund is \$49,795.44. Total agency fun balance as of December 31th, 2019, are \$95,111.02. Projected year-end balance of \$8,826.54.
- -Director Dolly Serrant presented the bi-monthly report with the 2020 Partnership Applicants. The Director also reported the past and upcoming events, as well as social media insights. Additionally, the report has the executive summary and ideas provided by the input of the commissioners at the retreat on November 12th, 2020.

### **Sponsorship Committee reports:**

The amount assigned for partnerships applications is \$7,000. Only six organizations applied to the partnership grant before December 31st, 2019.

Next steps: Commissioners will vote on April meeting on the amount requested by each organization or will suggest what amount ICHLA will fund. Additionally, commissioners will need to select a new deadline for 2021 grants.

# **Listening Session Sub-Committee reports:**

Next steps: Find a vendor who can assist with the analysis, findings, and recommendations based on the data collected at Goshen, Evansville, and Indianapolis.

#### Commission's Business:

#### **Unfished business:**

**Motion**: Moved by Representative Earl Harris and seconded by Rep. Peggy Mayfield to approve the elected executive commissioner's members as follow: Palermo Galindo -Chairman, Jesusa Rivera- Vice-Chair, Herb Hernández-Treasurer and Daniella Jordán- Secretary. **Motion carried.** 

**Motion:** Moved by Christian Gallo and second by Earl Harris to provide to to the Hispanics United Government Services from Hammond, IN a \$1,000 exclusively for scholarships or educational purposes. **Motion carried**.

**Motion**: Moved by Rep. Earl Harris and second Rep. Peggy Mayfield to approve a total amount of \$700 to cover the expenses for the National Farmworker Awareness Week at the Statehouse on March 11, 2020. **Motion carried.** 

**Announcements:** Next Commission Meeting will be Thursday, April, 16, 2020, in Government Center North building 100 N Senate Ave. Rm N300 large conference room from 1:00 PM to 3:00 PM.

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 3:00 PM.