Mayor's Hispanic American Advisory Board Meeting Minutes

Date: April 8th, 2014 at 9:00 am

Board Members Present: Patricia Solo-Josephson, Rafael Caldera, Alicia Burst, Jesús Montero, Carmen Mantay, Victor Pacheco.

Board Members Not Present: Yvonne Shaffer, Judy Rodriguez, Mario Decunto, Ida Gropper.

Staff Present: Betzy Santiago, Ana Andreu

Guests: None

Welcome: A quorum was confirmed and Chairman Solo-Josephson called the meeting to order at approximately 9:00 am.

Minutes Approval – The minutes from the March meeting were approved unanimously with Corrections.

Committee Reports

Health, & Public Safety

o The Guia is being updated and should be completed soon.

Education

- o The subcommittee is working on an agenda and plan of action to determine what partnership(s) would be beneficial for the Hispanic Community.
- o There was no agreement on a partnership after the InRoads meetings.
- o Grad-Nation was well attended. Over \$80,000 were raised for other COJ projects.

Economic and Faith Based

- o Javier Garcia has resigned from the Board; therefore we now have a vacant position.
- Jesus is compiling a list of all faith based agencies and businesses owned by Hispanics to add to the Board's database.
- o Chairperson reminded the board to submit their activity/hours reports

Unfinished Business

Community Partnership Subcommittee

Preliminary dates were established for June 10th and August 12th from 6-7pm in the Lynwood Roberts Room at City Hall.

WONC

- It was proposed that instead of manning a booth during the World of Nations Celebration (WONC), it would benefit the community more if the board members are walking around the different countries talking to people. The board agreed on not manning the booth even if it meant to pay for their entrance to the event. Ana will contact Special Event to cancel the booth.
- Ana will send an e-mail request asking for volunteers for both days. Victor will work on a plan to determine what are the best times for the teams to be at the park.

New Business

Hispanic Leadership Awards

- The SOP and calendar were presented to the Board. Rafael motioned to approve both the SOP and calendar. Motion was passed unanimously.
- Proposed date is October 6th, from 6:00 7:30 pm in City Council Chambers.

Other business

• Unity Plaza – Carmen presented the idea that the board could use the Unity Plaza venue for some of the Board's events.

Correspondence to and From the Mayor's Office

• Betzy discussed how this year's Summer Job Program has the opportunity to bring in a couple of churches as partners so that students can work for 6 weeks and be paid by COJ.

Next Meeting

Next Mayor's Hispanic American Advisory Board Meeting will be on 05/13/14 at 9:00 a.m.

Minutes Prepared by: Ana Andreu.