

Chicano Latino Affairs Council Legislative Committee Meeting Minutes

Date: June 4, 2010

Present:

Board Members: Chair BM Juarez, BM Vargas, BM Garay-Lehn

Staff: ED Garcia, Staff Espinoza

Agenda Item	Discussion/Action Summary/Motions Adopted	Follow-Up/Timeline	Person(s) Responsible
Review Agenda	Approve Agenda		•
CLAC Immigration Position Statement	Discussion – State of MN's role in Immigration reform Discussion – What areas should CLAC focus on? Maintain focus Discussion – Keep statement the same but make some changes – CLAC will use current statement until a new statement can be approved by Board (August) Discussion – How is system broken? How can it be fixed? What are the effects of amnesty? Discussion – Convene and expand dialogue	Update statistics on position statement (7/16/10) Create a Fact Sheet on immigration (7/16/10) Set up meetings with members of Congress to develop middle ground/non-partisan positions.	ED and staff
State-Level Policy Initiatives Development for Immigrant Integration submitted by Mario Hernandez	Discussion – The Legislative Committee has reviewed the document and has decided to continue to move forward with CLAC's current Legislative agenda and no action is to be recommend to the Board Discussion – Offer to Mario Hernandez the opportunity to support CLAC's Legislative agenda	Respond to Mario Hernandez about his proposal (ASAP)	ED

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Legislative Biennium Plan	1. Race to the Top Minnesota Application – This action is completed	Create a new Education Committee (August 2010)	CLAC Board – Chair
	2. CLAC Voucher and Business Incubator Bill (HF, SF)	Check on status of the bill and determine if any action needs to be taken before the start of the Legislative session in January 2011 (7/16/10)	ED and Staff
	 3. Workforce Minority Collaboration (HF 3119, SF 2853) – after discussion it was determined that CLAC should continue in an advisory role with CAPM. No CLAC action should be taken in FY 11 unless requested by CAPM 4. Support our Law Enforcement and Safe Neighborhoods Act (HF 3830) – after discussion it was determined that more information is needed to determine the value of the proposed legislation and before any statement can be made to State Legislators whether to approve or disapprove of the legislation. - Why is it bad for Minnesota? 	Create a fact sheet looking at all aspects of the proposed legislation – pro's/con's (7/16/10) Monitor bill.	ED and Staff
New Business	Next Legislative Committee meeting is Friday, July 16, 2010 at CLAC Offices For 1 st quarter, focus on immigration. After November elections, meet with Republicans, especially new ones.	Have prepared drafts of Immigration Fact Sheet & Revised Policy Statement	
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