

Chicano Latino Affairs Council Legislative Committee Meeting Minutes

Date: August 6, 2010

Present:

Board Members: Chair BM Juarez, BM Vargas

Staff: ED Garcia, Staff Espinoza Recorder: Chair Juarez

Agenda Item	Discussion/Action Summary/Motions Adopted	Follow-Up/Timeline	Person(s) Responsible
Review Agenda	Approve Agenda		
CLAC Immigration Position Statement and Fact Sheet	Discussion – Review of updated position statement and fact sheet Decision – Position statement is good, remove bold font Discussion – Fact sheet is a good start but should include a financial breakdown of cost of services for immigrants – what is the public cost for illegal immigration Discussion – Get into contact with organizations that have research on immigration Discussion – Recommend approval of the fact sheet – and continue to work on fact sheet and update fact sheet at a later committee meeting and approve at a future Board meeting. Discussion – CLAC's current position on enforcement? ED will draft a brief position statement on CLAC's position on enforcement of illegal immigration policies and submit to the Legislative Committee. The position statement will be forwarded to full Board for possible action at the Board retreat.	Recommend approval of Position Statement and Fact Sheet (8/21/10) Position Statement on enforcement of illegal immigration polices (ASAP to Committee) (Board action 8/21/2011) Update fact sheet with specific financial figures of the cost of illegal immigration	ED, Board and staff

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	Send an approved copy of CLAC's Biennial Report to Federal delegation (11/2011)	
Discussion – Review of fact sheet	Update fact sheet	
	(8/27/10)	
Discussion – Continue to work on fact sheet – update fact sheet with the fiscal impact on state and local government Discussion – ED and staff shall break down bill item by item and determine the impact of each item Discussion – Remove item from Board approval in August – since there is time to	Board action on (11/20/10)	
Discussion – Review report 1. Reviewed the statutory requirements of what needs to be in the final report	Continue to work on report (8/27/10)	ED and Staff
simplify the report – eliminate the Board pictures (Pictures are located on web page) 3. Write report to your audience - someone who has no idea what we do – be	Present draft of report to Board for review (8/21/10)	
 basic – to the point and describe in detail projects and end results 4. Check for grammar, spelling and punctuation 5. Limit acronyms and abbreviations – spell out words 6. Identify bills and give brief description of bill 	Board Action at November meeting – report due	
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Legislative and Civic Engagement Action Plan	Discussion – Advocacy Action plan page – change the "who" boxes with appropriate titles Discussion – Action Plan 1. Add legend – define H, G, D, L, I 2. Make the changes that were recommended by the Executive Committee on 08/04/2010 3. Remove all references at the bottom of the pages – just have the date of last update and/or approved by the Board	Recommend approval of Action Plan to Board with the recommended changes being made (8/21/10)	ED, Chair, various Committees
Otto Bremer Grant	Discussion – The Legislative Committee decided that the grant outcomes as written do not meet the mission of CLAC and need to be removed from the Board's agenda in August Discussion – The Committee will review all documents pertaining to the grant and will rewrite the outcomes and submit to the Board for action at a letter date	Work on grant (8/27/10) ED will forward all information (contract, outcomes, and letter of approval) pertaining to the grant to Committee members (ASAP)	ED and Staff
Other Business	Discussion – Executive Director will write a statement on CLAC's position on education.		
Next Meeting date	Legislative Committee will meet Friday , August 27 , 2010 at 1:30 – 3:00 p.m. at CLAC Offices		
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