



Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

Date: 1/31/15

Location: 60 Empire Drive, Suite 203
St. Paul, Minnesota 55103

Present:

BM Michael Muñoz, Chairman; BM Uriel Perez Espinosa , Vice Chair; BM Kandace Creel Falcón, Treasurer; BM Suyapa Miranda; BM Krystell Escobar; BM Luisa Pierce; BM Peter Reyes, via phone; BM Jesus Villaseñor.

Staff: Hector Garcia, Executive Director; Rebeca Sedarski, Regional Community Liaison and Project Coordinator; Annastacia Belladonna, Legislative Director; Justin Lane, Research Analyst.

Visitors: Mariano Espinoza, Mesa Latina; Sam Hernandez, Sunsol Enterprises.

Agenda Item	Discussion/Action Summary/Motions Adopted	Follow-Up/Timeline	Person(s) Responsible
Welcome	Meeting was called to order by Board Chair Michael Muñoz BM makes the Motion to approve agenda. BM seconds. All in favor.	← Motion passed	
Council Meeting Minutes, 11/1/14	Chair Michael Muñoz presented the minutes for the previous board meeting. BM Jesus Villaseñor makes the Motion to approve the 11/1/14 Board meeting minutes. BM Krystell Escobar seconds the motion. All in favor vote.	← Motion passed	
Presentation on key legislative issues by Mesa Latina	Mariano Espinoza reviewed the bills and some of the strategies that Mesa Latina is taking this legislative session. BM Krystell Escobar provided updates on current laws in place and BM Jesus Villaseñor contributed to conversation. Follow up meetings with Sen. Nelson regarding HF97. Mariano Espinoza to send brief language of bill so BM Kandace Creel Falcón can share them with Representative Lien. Mariano Espinoza asked that all board members and staff utilize connections to rally support for HF97. Staff requested that Mesa Latina event information be sent to CLAC. BM Suyapa Miranda requested that the event information be sent to board members. Mariano Espinoza outlined the DAPA legal service centers in Minnesota. BM Suyapa Miranda requested that the information be available on our website.	← Action item ← Action item ← Action item ← Action item	R. Sedarski Mariano Espinoza G. Rodriguez to post

Executive Director's Report	<p>ED Hector Garcia highlighted the current projects and activities.</p> <p>BM Krystell Escobar mentioned a presentation at the Federal Reserve Bank and would like to share the presentation.</p> <p>ED Hector Garcia mentioned VCCC meeting to discuss the improvement of communication between law enforcement and the community.</p>		
2015 Legislative Session update	<p>Staffer Annastacia Belladonna introduced herself and provided a brief background on her work.</p> <p>Staffer Justin Lane to send out additional documents which were handed out today.</p> <p>Staffer Annastacia Belladonna reviewed 2015 CLAC's Legislative Priorities and strategies.</p> <p>Discussion regarding changing CLAC's name.</p> <p>BM Krystell Escobar makes the Motion to extend the board meeting by 45 minutes. BM Suyapa Miranda seconds the motion. All in favor vote.</p> <p>Chair Michael Muñoz suggests that we do not make a decision on the name change at this time because we need more input from stakeholders.</p> <p>BM Krystell Escobar makes the Motion to accept the proposed changes to CLAC's Statute Bill with the exclusion of the name change. BM Suyapa Miranda adds to specify a date for the name change; Legislative Committee will meet before next board meeting to discuss. BM Jesus Villaseñor seconds the motion. All in favor vote.</p> <p>Discussion regarding where CLAC stands regarding HF97 (Driver's License Bill). At this point CLAC supports the current bill and if changes are made it will be discussed by the Legislative Committee.</p> <p>BM Suyapa Miranda makes the Motion to approve the 2015 Legislative Priorities. BM Uriel Espinoza seconds the motion. All in favor vote.</p> <p>Discussion on planned meeting schedule for Legislative Committee. We could to a doodle poll to see what dates work for board members.</p> <p>Restructuring committees should be discussed at next board meeting as well as CLAC's name change.</p>	<p>← Action item</p> <p>← Motion passed</p> <p>← Motion passed ← Action item</p> <p>← Motion passed</p> <p>← Action item</p> <p>← Action item</p>	<p>J. Lane to send documents</p> <p>G. Rodriguez to schedule meeting</p> <p>G. Rodriguez to send Doodle Poll</p> <p>G. Rodriguez to add to next agenda</p>
CLAC's Strategy	<p>Staffer Annastacia Belladonna reviewed CLAC's strategic positions. BM Jesus Villaseñor questioned how this aligns with the 2009 comprehensive plan. Staffer Belladonna confirms they work together.</p>		

	ED Hector Garcia highlights CLAC's focus on the "Dual Strategy" and mentions there are two areas which need addressing: minorities are not present at the decision making table and the people who need resources are not receiving them. ED Garcia believes these two issues should guide CLAC's strategy. BM Krystell Escobar believes maintaining a centrist political point is crucial. BM Jesus Villaseñor pointed out that it seems that one party is opposed to our ideas. ED Hector Garcia mentioned that the strategy was sent.		
Treasurer's Report	<p>BM Kandace Creel Falcón points out the primary focus should be on the projected budget in anticipation of the upcoming move.</p> <p>ED Hector Garcia commented on the "communications strategy" contract. Staffer Annastacia Belladonna points out that the board should have the correct working on file. Discussion regarding complications with communications strategy and other options. BM Kandace Creel Falcón points out that Staffer Gladys Rodriguez has the bid ready to be submitted. BM Michael Muñoz to review proposals.</p> <p>Discussion regarding cost of furniture for new location. ED Hector Garcia points out we have a good option on the new location and the name is Terrace Court.</p> <p>BM Jesus Villaseñor makes Motion to approve budget. BM Krystell Escobar seconds the motion. All in favor vote.</p>	<p>← Action item</p> <p>← Motion passed</p>	BM M. Muñoz to review proposals. A. Belladonna to update board files with correct wording.
Rochester Project	Staffer Rebeca Sedarski highlighted recent meetings with police department, community conversations with Commissioner Lindsey, capstone presentation, meeting with Centro Campesino, Latin America Center, partner city with Mazatlan, and Supply Diversity group. Staffer Rebeca Sedarski to share kindergarten readiness capstone project with board.	← Action item	R. Sedarski to share capstone project with board.
New Business	<p>BM Jesus Villaseñor mentions looking into ED Hector Garcia attending the conference in New Mexico if economic resources are available.</p> <p>Chair Michael Muñoz suggests looking into the use of technology in new location for members to remotely attend.</p>	<p>← Action item</p> <p>← Action item</p>	<p>ED H. Garcia to look into costs.</p> <p>Staff to consider while looking.</p>
Wrap-up and adjournment	<p>Chair Michael Muñoz points out there needs to be a continued conversation on CLAC's name and committee structure.</p> <p>BM Jesus Villaseñor makes a Motion to adjourn. BM Krystell Escobar seconds. All in favor vote.</p>	← Motion passed	

*Prepared by Justin Lane, Research Analyst
Motions taken by Rebeca Sedarski, Regional Community Liaison and Project Coordinator*