**CHA Conference Call**

**Friday, April 13th, 2018**

**12:00PM**

**Roll Call:**

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| **Name** | **Title** | **Organization** | **Present** |
| Brian Moreno | Chair | CHA | Yes |
| David Morales | Vice Chair | CHA | Yes |
| Alex Ybarra | Commissioner | CHA | Yes |
| Leonor de Maldonado | Commissioner | CHA | Yes |
| Rene Maldonado | Commissioner | CHA | No |
| Juan Jose Maldonado | Commissioner | CHA | Yes |
| Nora Coronado | Commissioner | CHA | Yes |
| Anita Ahumada | Commissioner | CHA | Yes |
| Paula Arno Martinez | Commissioner | CHA | Yes |
| Lisa van der Lugt | Executive Director | CHA | Yes |
| Eder Nunez | Program Manager | CHA | Yes |
| Brenda Portaro | Intern | CHA | Yes |
| Omar Manzo | Intern | CHA | Yes |

**Purpose of Meeting:**

* Commissioners discuss and give updates.
* Update on Commission meeting in Olympia.
* Update on vacancy on the commission.

**Action Items Developed/Pending:**

* Via Slack, Commissioners will share with Brian their opinion on Department of Commerce idea.
* Commissioners will share on Slack about meeting changes and meetings with more state agencies.
* Commissioners will review documents from LNI and share views with Lisa by first week of May.

**Commissioner Updates**

**Commissioner Leonor Maldonado**

* Helped Alex on education paper.
* There is an opening for Superintendent in the valley.
  + Interested to see the applicants.
* Involved with the parents in the district to build their advocacy skills.

**Commissioner Nora Coronado**

* HCA Equity Workforce Group goal is to look at community health workers.
  + Moving to certifications and concerns on background checks on status of immigrants.
    - Affect Latino population.
* Health Impact Review and how they impact communities of color.
  + Brought up the Pesticide bill.

**Commissioner Paula Arno-Martinez**

* Has met with the City of Wenatchee Diversity Council.
  + Project of renaming some streets in South Wenatchee after Latino leaders.
    - Work that is still ongoing.
    - City council seems onboard.

**Commissioner Juan Jose Maldonado**

* Is working on a project to get a community center for his community.
  + Making a draft on the requirements and the importance of having this community center.
    - Hopes the commission can help him on this.
* Working with some victims that have suffered abuse in the workplace.
  + Hope they will report what is happening.

**Commissioner Anita Ahumada**

* Meeting with LNI workgroup on April 4th.
  + Had conversation on new implementation of new law SB 6245.
    - Asked questions, and provided information of concerns with the law.
* Another meeting with LNI regarding fraud.
  + It is affecting the Hispanic community.
* Meeting with Assistant Attorney General and he is involved in issues regarding housing.
* Brief with the Director of Emergency Management on Military Department regarding Rafael’s replacement.
  + They have good candidates.
* Is part of the DNR Strategic Planning regarding wildfires.

**Commissioner Alex Ybarra**

* Went to San Antonio, Texas for National School Board Association.
  + Got in touch with the Hispanic School Board.
* Had an EOGOAC meeting coming up.
* Will not be able to attend the migrant education program meeting in Mt. Vernon.

**Commissioner David Morales**

* Went to interviews for new deputy for DOL.
* Followed up with Yakima County Commissioners, but they haven’t responded.
* Working on the Census 2020.
* David explained that REAL ID hearings should also be in Central WA.

**CHA Office Report**

* Lisa gave update on REAL ID hearings that DOL will be having soon.
* Hearings were posted on the website.
  + Meetings were not on Yakima and other places where stakeholders recommended in Central WA.
    - Said that they could do it in Central WA or Mt. Vernon.
      * Why not both?
      * Concerns on populations that will be most affected by this.
* Brian gave update on P-TECH meeting in Olympia.
* Brian gave an update from the Department of Commerce.
  + It is a retirement plan that will help people know more about how to save money.
    - Helps business owners.
    - Department of Commerce wants to know if the Commission wants to partner with them.
* Lisa wants to hear from commissioners about changing days for commission meetings.
  + Wants to also know if they want agencies to present.
* Lisa gave update on LNI.
  + After our meeting, LNI sent out further documents for the commission to review.
* Lisa gave update on vacancy in Commission.
  + Interviews to see who could fill Andres’ seat.
* Lisa explained about reappointments for commissioners who their term is ending.
  + They will have to be interviewed again.
* Lisa is trying to collaborate with the Anti-Defamation League.
  + Attorney coming from LA, and they want to do an event in Seattle in June.
* Brenda reminded commissioners about travel reimbursement.
* Omar gave update on his work.
  + Has been working with community member to file a grievance form against her lawyer.

**Decisions Made**

* **Next meeting will be on Friday, May 18th, 12 p.m.**