



Latino Advisory Council Monthly Meeting
Online WebEx Meeting
July 20, 2022
9:00am – 12:00pm

Approved Amended Minutes

Chair-Person:

Yeni Rojas

Past Chair-Person:

Julia Monzon

Chair-Elect:

Jennifer Contreras

Co-Scribes:

Rosa Molina-Lassalle

DCFS Members:

Coty Corcoles
Jose Garcia
Juan Maldonado
Evelyn Martinez
Melissa Martinez
Beatriz Ramirez
Liliana Romero
Moises Jimenez
Azalea Mejia

POS Members:

Jennifer Contreras

Director's Liason:

Jose J. Lopez
Latino Services

Committees:

Child Safety, Risk
Reduction and
Permanency

Data Analysis,
Disproportionality
and Staffing

Strategic
Communications

POS Collaboration

Latino Family
Institute

Professional
Development Day

Present: Jose Garcia, Jose Lopez Rodriguez, Rosa Maria Molina Lassalle, Evelyn Martinez, Melissa Martinez, Yeni Rojas, Liliana Romero, and Juan Maldonado, Julia Monzon, Coty Corcoles, Beatriz Ramirez, Zuleima Ocampo, Greishen Rodriguez, Kara Hamilton, Nancy Rodriguez, Moises Jimenez,

Excused: Azalea Mejia, Jennifer Contreras,

Guests: Maribel Rodriguez, Christina Chambers,

A. Welcome

Participants were welcomed and introductions were complete.

B. Positive Vibes

Members were able to share positive experiences and team building activity.

C. New Member Elections (Co-Scribe) Tabled it

D. Review & Approval of June Minutes -Tabled it

E. Meeting with Director Smith Action Plan

To discuss and review task that LAC initiate last year at our next meeting and need the new goals that we have for this year. There is no schedule date yet to meet with the Director.

F. Committee Written Reports

(Send Written Reports if available)

- a. Child Safety, Risk Reduction and Permanency – Moises Jimenez, had met the 1st week of this month did not have enough people to participate. Suggestion to have the meeting held on the agencies to have more participation. We need to add members to participate to complete the reports- working on the retention plan, language line access, they are awaiting data reports for assessment.



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- b. Data Analysis, Disproportionality and Staffing – Jose Garcia
Don't have enough data to present at this time.
- c. Strategic Communications – Julia Monzon
Explained briefly what is getting ready for the conference, the objectives needed, seeking more involvement with members to bring ideas and suggestions, sending out surveys, language line access to agencies and foster parent recruitment by participating on different events.
- d. POS Collaboration– Jennifer Contreras & Jose J. Lopez
Working with Professional Development day, getting feedback and other resources.

G. Diversity, Equality and Inclusion Report – Jose J. Lopez

H. Old Business

Kara Hamilton discussed regarding training, log in issues, open meeting act training for only new members by making new account and password/go through their portal to complete the training. Also the use and having access of the Microsoft team due to the expiration of Webex. She explained the safety and payment of DCFS volunteers will be tabled for further information.

I. New Business -None

J. Open Forum

Julia let us know regarding the accomplishment of bringing together Veronica and Debra in terms of working together on translating all the social advanced training in Spanish get them approved, and making sure that all the foster parent trainings are available on the DNET. Also she encouraged for all to participate, engage for help and support to LAC and the family Institute Day by participating at meetings and learn what we do, different projects and community work.

K. Next General Meeting– August 17, 2022

Meeting adjourn at 12:pm