



# Hispanic Heritage Advisory Board Meeting Minutes

Date: March 7, 2022

Time: 6:00 PM

Location: Aurora City Hall, 44 E. Downer Place  
Aurora, IL 60507, 5<sup>th</sup> Floor, Conference Room 5B

- **Call to Order**
  - Meeting called to order by Tony Martinez at 6:00 p.m.
  
- **Roll Call**
  - Members Present: Blanca Saavedra, Brian Moreno, Carolina Ocampo, Claudia Urrutia, Gil Rios, Karina Suarez-Darden, Lorena Labastida, Maria Jurado, Melissa Sosa, Rafael Martinez, Yahayra Argueta, Zayra Gonzalez.
  - Members Absent: Laura Ayala
  
- **Public Comment**
  - No public comment
  
- **Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes**
  - No meeting minutes to approve.
  
- **Agenda Items**
  - ***Election of Officers***
    - Position and Rolls:
      - Chair: Blanca E. Monarrez-Saavedra (Motion: Maria Jurado; Second: Melisa Sosa)
      - Vice Chair: Zayra Chavez (Motion: Blanca E. Monarrez-Saavedra; Second: Melisa Sosa)
      - Secretary: Maria Jurado (Motion: Rafael Martinez; Second: Zayra Chavez)
      - Treasurer: Karina Suarez-Darden (Claudia Urrutia with 3 votes; Karina Suarez-Darden with 7 votes)
  - ***Scholarship Funds at the Community Foundation***
    - Transfer of funds, of 11,000 to the Community Foundation Scholarship. (Motion: Zayra Chavez; Second; Rafael Martinez)

- **Events Discussion and Organization**
  - Día De Los Niños: Park District needed a 3-month notice for the event. The board is looking at other events to possibly sponsor later in the year.
  - Fiesta Patrias: September 17 & 18 Location TBD
    - Roles and responsibilities:
      - Chair/ Co-Chair
        - Blanca Saavedra/ Zayra Gonzalez
      - Sub Committees
        - Vendors= Chair: Rafael; Co-Chair: Melisa
        - Parade= Chair: Melisa; Co. Chair: Claudia
        - Entertainment= Chair: Brian; Co-Chair: Claudia and Carolina
        - Marketing= Chair: Zayra; Co-Chair: Karin
        - Volunteers= Chair: Gill; Co-Chair: Maria
        - Logistics= Chair: Rafael; Co-Chair: Lorena
        - Sales= Tony the city of Aurora
        - Security= Still pending depending on location; however, Zayra will be willing to be the Chair for said committee.
  - **Scholarship Award Ambush**
    - A possible date in June to present scholarships awards since there will not be a scholarship breakfast this year.
- **Next Meeting**
  - Monday, April 4, 2022, 6 p.m. 5<sup>th</sup> Floor City Hall
- **Adjournment**
  - Meeting adjourned at 7:29 p.m.