

STATE OF NEVADA



DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS AND INDUSTRY  
OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR  
COMMISSION ON MINORITY AFFAIRS

Meeting Minutes

A meeting of the Commission on Minority Affairs was held on Monday, October 19, 2015 at 9:39 am, pursuant to public notice: Via video conference call between all locations :( Las Vegas). State Building LV 555 E. Washington Suite 4900 Las Vegas, Nevada 89101, and (Carson City) Nevada Dept of Business & Industry 1830 College Pkwy Ste# 100 Carson City, NV 89706 Conference call: Carson City: 775-687-0999 Las Vegas: 702-486-5260 Participant's Collaboration Code: 64575

**1. COMMISSION BUSINESS**

A. Chair Commissioner Siefert called the meeting to order at 9:39 am.

**B. Present:** C. Siefert (present); C. Cedric Cole (present); C. Chadha (present); C. Lee (present); C. Kari Emm (Telephone); C. Semilla Neal (Telephone) Also Miriam Lira-Hickerson, Ombudsman of Consumer Affairs for Minorities-Department of B&I. (present). New Deputy Director of B&I Marcel Schaerer (present).

C. Commissioners **Absent: N/A** Only 6 Commissioners- all attended- 3 vacancy-

**2. PUBLIC COMMENT**

Welcome to Joe Hernandez of Nevada Hispanics Group and President and COO of Brand Hernandez Insurance Group.

**3. COMMISSION BUSINESS DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION BY THE COMMISSION**

- A. Approval of September 21, 2015, meeting minutes (for discussion and possible action). Moved by C. Lee, seconded by C. Chadha. Motion carried.
- B. Commission vacancy position Interview schedule: Ombudsman Hickerson to provide update (for follow-up, no action necessary). 5 people interviewing on Wednesday 10/21/15.
- C. Commission's 2015-2016 drafted strategic/goal plan: Commissioner Cole to provide status/draft (for review and discussion. No action necessary). C. Cole emailed document for all to review and discuss. Sub-committees please send your action plans to C. Cole 2 weeks prior to the January meeting.

- D. Commission Website – Missing information: Ombudsman Hickerson to provide update and recommendations (for discussion and possible action): All requested information is on the website.
- E. Finalized/decision RE: Proposals for business cards and tablecloth from AA Printing and Quick Change Display (for discussion and possible action). A quote will be requested for a banner instead of a tablecloth. Business cards will be requested for C. Cole, C. Lee, C. Emm. Moved by C. Cole, seconded by C. Chadha. Motion carried.
- F. New Business – welcome to new Deputy Director of B&I, Marcel Fernando Schaerer.  
C.Siefert will email when information is due for the Governor’s report.

#### **4. PUBLIC COMMENT**

Mr. Hernandez was appointed on the Senate Committee of Hispanic Affairs by Senator Heller. Their sub-committees are similar to these. Mr. Hernandez is requesting a speaker from NCMA at an upcoming luncheon. Tentative 2016.

Next meeting will be January 25<sup>th</sup> at 9:30 AM

#### **5. ADJOURNMENT**

10:45 adjournment. Moved by C. Cole, seconded by C. Lee. Motion carried.