

Hispanic Roundtable General Meeting 5/31/07

Attendees: Melissa Bayne – Girl Scouts, Pacific Peaks Council

Gloria Morehouse – Girls Scouts, Pacific Peaks Council

Veronica Bronkema – Labor & Industries

Delfina Gayle – Labor & Industries

José Diaz – HRT President, Centralia Community College Alicia Luna – WA State Commission on Hispanic Affairs

Carmen Murphy – HRT Membership Coordinator, Community Member

Cliff Moore – Washington State University – Extension

Shawn Lewis – North Thurston School District

Josefina Pilon – St Martin's University

Patricia Dean – Sea Mar Samantha Soto – SPSCC

Welcome and Introductions

Approval of last meeting's minutes

President's Report

José would like HRT to hire Olivia Salazar De Breaux to do the newsletter, annual reports, maintain the database and the website. The pay could be hourly or a stipend. Olivia will need a 1099 to work as an independent contractor.

José motioned to hire Olivia as an independent contractor, up to 20 hrs a month at \$15.00 for the remainder of 2007 calendar year. Total of \$3,600.00 to be included in the budget. Carmen second. All were in favor. No further discussion.

There are \$6,000 left in the bank for the Latina Youth Summit. Fundraising will start full force on June 30.

Membership Coordinator – Carmen Murphy

José will ask Olivia for a list of all agencies for Certificates of Acknowledgement.

Youth Education Committee

Cliff is the Youth Committee chair and Jeff Frias is the Latino Youth Summit chair. LYS is Tuesday, November 13 and HRT needs to be active on fund raising.

^{* (}Please see sign up sheet for the rest of the attendees)

If anyone has information about speakers please send them to Veronica Bronkema. A theme is also needed, last year it was "Pasos hacia el éxito and the year before "Diseñando mi destino". Carmen said that she likes Maria Marin's, renown speaker, phrase, "expect more, dream more."

José wants the theme to be powerful something like "Make and investment in your future".

Theme suggestions are to be sent to Carmen Murphy both in English and Spanish. Carmen will bring them to the next meeting. Next meeting will be at Cliff's office from 1:00 to 3:00 pm. Email Carmen for all dates.

Veronica indicated that Consuelo Castillo Kickbush is a great keynote speaker. She had a career with the Armed forces. Consuelo has another engagement for November 13 and she charges \$6,000.00 plus travel expenses. We will keep her in mind for next year. Next year LYS could take place at South Puget Sound during the Fall quarter, early part of November. Maybe during a school advisory day when there's not too many students. Veronica has been talking to Carlos Ojeda Jr., late twenties and he does public speaking to motivate young people. He is willing to work with us. Carlos has another program through the military. The theme is Mind, Body, Spirit and Soul and it lasts 3.5 hrs. José and Cliff would like to have this event cheaper as HRT is not in the position of making a big commitment. Cliff – we haven't engaged Sheila Gray from Lewis County. He will talk to her. Maybe after the summit Carlos could speak at a school and open to all kids not only to Hispanics. José agrees that he could speak with other. Josefina indicated that they were talking about hiring a speaker at Saint Martin's to add another date.

Program Committee

Veronica met with Kathy, Sara, Carlos and Josefina.

José applies for many grants for outreach to the Latino community. He applied for a grant to create Spanish language Public Service Announcements and MP3s for websites. Safe Place and Cielo are involved. CHOICE is charging \$375 to place ads on the web. Will need to do a survey to get additional information about what the Latino community needs. When all this is done he will talk to Olivia to incorporate on the website.

José would like to have a parent conference to follow up after LYS for next year. Parents need to understand what kids learned.

Cliff indicated that there is a grant for five organizations serving people of color for capacity training needs for those groups. There is a salary letter for an executive Director to develop competency training. Cliff is not leading this group but he could run it through WSU Extension. Areas of training could be, What makes a successful non-profit? Fund raising? What do we have to offer as a group? José will start looking at this, possibly talking with Shawn, identify what we need, outline and proposal, etc.

Treasurer's Report

There is currently \$6,893.94 in the treasury \$1260 in membership dues and \$1,093.93. José informed Shawn of hiring Olivia and will talk to him about the Thurston County Network mini grant.

Shawn will need to write a simple contract and Veronica could give advise as Olivia needs to start as soon as possible. Alicia or Shawn will send Veronica a contract.

Old business – Marketing Committee

Patricia Dean will take over for Jorge Madrazo. Sea Mar is doing a Fiestas Patrias Event in September at the Seattle Center and is working with radio stations for marketing. José Piñeda is the contact at Evergreen College. José will get with him on that.

United Way

Veronica Bronkema met with the UW of Thurston County Director and will be voted in as part of the board. UW requests a donation from all board members. HRT will pay for her as she accepted the position representing HRT. This is a good networking and fundraising opportunity. They meet every two months and Veronica will also be required to be part of a subcommittee.

José said that there is a Family Initiative Investment Act ballot and if it passes \$6 to \$8 million are already allocated to corrections and the rest to others.

Announcements/Information sharing

Girl Scouts – They will start summer programs such as the Girl Scouts beyond bars. Once a month they take girls to visit their moms in jail and talk to the girls about breaking the cycle. They have training at their office in Dupont. People are welcome to use it. It has a kitchen and the capacity is 50 - 75 people.

Carmen requested a job description for volunteers.

Patricia from Sea Mar indicated that they are not seeing a lot of Hispanics and need more advertising and volunteers. She will send information to Carmen. José told her that she could talk to José Piñera, KAOS 89.3 at Evergreen State College. There is a Lutheran Church that's always giving donations and that HRT might want to contact them.

Cliff – During the 2nd and 3rd week in July there is a challenge and trust activity training. This is all day from 8-5 pm. The training is to act as challenge facilitators. He will send information to Carmen.

Meeting was adjourned at 11:00 AM

Minutes submitted by Veronica Bronkema