

COMMISSION ON IMMIGRANT AFFAIRS MINUTES

REGULAR MEETING Wednesday, June 13, 2012, 6:30PM

The Commission on Immigrant Affairs convened in a regular meeting on Wednesday June 13, 2012, at City Hall, 301 West 2nd Street, Executive Session, Room #1027, Austin, Texas.

Member in Attendance Laura Hernandez, Vice Chair Donald Krupens Sunny Ogunro James Kuhr Speaker

Liaison: Joe Barnes

Members Absent Tom Esparza, Chair Syed Rahman Miguel Ancira

AGENDA

- 1. CALL TO ORDER: Commissioner Hernandez, acting as Chair, called the meeting to order at 6:34 p.m.
- 2. CITIZEN COMMUNICATION: None
- 3. REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES: March 14, 2012 and April 11, 2012. March passed with one correction. April passed. Motion by Commissioner Kuhr, second by Commissioner Ogunro. Vote 4 to 0.
- 4. NEW BUSINESS: DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION A. Federal Inquisition of Immigrant Status (Form W-8BEN): Place on July agenda as old business.

B. Election Renewals for Commissioners: Commissioner Hernandez spoke about her intend to end participation at end of term in July. She also mentioned that Commissioner Esparza's term will expire in July.

C. Translation of City of Austin website: Discussed lack of language diversity of website (English only) and Commissioners approved of sending e-mail to webmaster regarding the need for language diversity.

OLD BUSINESS: DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION

A. Emergency Card Update: Discussed status of the cards. Cards were in hands of liaison who asked for clarification of the number of cards desired for each language.

Commissioner Hernandez sent e-mail with the information to liaison. Next step is to get estimates of cost, obtain funding approval and purchase cards.

- 5. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS: Commissioner Hernandez moved to have Natalie Butts on July agenda to talk about the International Welcome Program. Passed on vote of 4 to 0.
- 6. ADJOURNMENT: Motion by Commissioner Kuhr, seconded by Commission Hernandez to adjourn at 7:10. Passed 4 to 0.

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