

Meeting Minutes

Latino UsCC Subcommittee Meeting

Date: June 17, 2025

Time: 2:00 PM – 4:00 PM

Location: Virtual Meeting (Microsoft Teams)

Co-Chair: Maria Elena Aruaco



Participants: Alicia Morales, Angelina Mendoza, Betty Mendoza, Coach Afi G; Dr. Eric Hernandez; Dr. Luis Guzman; Ebony Lewis; Elsy Molina; Grace Florentine; Dr. Gina Obiakor; Irma Velasquez; Ismael Maldonado; Jennyfer Ibarra-McMahon; Jessica Valadez; Maria Elena Arauco; Riley Kwong; Sana Ahmed; Sara Z. Mijares; Sonia Rosas

DMH/Translators/Captioners: *Alex, Translator; Richard, Captioner; Claudia Fierro; Claudia Ribota Lindgren, Translator; Dr. Carla Jaramillo; Dr. Chiyah Lawrence; Dr. Christina Barnes-Matthews; Dr. Evelyn E. Espinoza; Dr. Jennifer Alquijay; Francisco Meza, Interpreter; ; Maria Guerra; Martha Ortiz; Mayra Gonzalez; riKu Matsuda; Yailin Noriega; Zuleima Molgado*

1. Welcome & Opening

- **Dr. Evy** - Participants were reminded to check their forms and verify attendance eligibility.
- **Land acknowledgment by Dr. Evy**
- **Invitation/Reminder:** Behavioral Health Services Act Townhall Meeting - Wednesday, 6/18/25, 5:00 - 7:00 PM
- **Father's Day Reflection/Check-in:** Maria Elena

2. Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes

- Irma V. – approved minutes
- Ebony L. seconded the motion

3. 5 Priorities Workgroup

- Discussion on restructuring 5 Priorities Workgroup from five to three due to limited engagement and capacity.
- Consensus reached to send out a survey to consolidate groups and identify top three priorities.

4. Voting for Co-Chair

- Link active
- Dr. Eric Hernandez sole nominee

5. DMH Updates – Dr. Espinoza

- Statements of Work are in Peer Review Stage
- Next Steps – Reference Quote Requests

6. Presentation - Redefining Masculinity in the Modern World – Coach Afi

- Coach Afi presented on redefining masculinity, emotional healing, and support for men's mental health.
- Subcommittee members requested Coach return for a full presentation in July.

7. Action Items:

- Distribute survey to determine top three community priorities.
- Resend Co-Chair voting link to participants having technical difficulties.
- Schedule full presentation with Coach Afi for the July meeting.

8. Labor Acknowledgement

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