



## Meeting Minutes

Friday, January 25, 2019 | 12:30 PM to 2:30 PM  
Legislative Dining Room, State of Iowa Capitol

### Commissioners Present

- Jeannette Brown
- Lorena Gingerich
- Alfonzo M. Perez

### Commissioners Absent

- Juan Rodriguez

### Department of Human Rights Staff Present

- Sonia Reyes-Snyder, Office of Latino Affairs

### Public Members Present

NONE

- I. Call to Order, Welcome to new commissioners & Introductions
- II. Public Comment:  
There was no public comment
- III. Approval of minutes from November 16, 2018  
*Gingerich moved to approve*  
*Perez seconded*  
*All in favor*
- IV. Latino Day on the Hill Debrief  
All present were happy and pleased with the outcome, attendees and presenters.
- V. Iowa Latino Hall of Fame:
  - Selection Committee for 2019 suggestions: Alejandro Pino, Norma Robles and Vanessa Espinoza & Ramon Calzada. Sonia will reach out to them.
  - Date for 2019 Ceremony, Saturday, October 19 or 26, 2019
  - The commission will look into partnering with the Art Center for the ceremony. Sonia will contact them.
  - Funding for 2019 Ceremony: the commission needs to raise \$5,000 with FALO.
- VI. FALO (Friends of the Office & Commission of Latino Affairs) Report:
  - Brown is the chair of FALO, it is officially a 501c3 organization.
  - The commission brainstormed about fundraising opportunities and decided to do a 5K walk/run in September, 2019 and making it an annual event.
  - The commission will work on details (name, city permits, route, sponsors)
  - The commission would like to end this event at the Lucas building parking lot with Latino food.

VII. Iowa Department of Human Rights Board Report  
Brown was not able to attend the last meeting, no report given.

VIII. PILA Update  
Reyes-Snyder shared about the upcoming webinars.

- IX. Coalitions Updates:
- LGBTQ Coalition. Sonia is assisting with this coalition. This coalition will focus on LGBTQ people of color.
  - Afro Latino Coalition. No report was given.

X. Office of Latino Affairs & Department of Human Rights Report  
Reyes-Snyder shared her report with the commission. She applied for a grant to start a coalition for the Latino Postsecondary Attainment Gap, it was granted and a part time person will be hired.

XI. Adjourn

#### Upcoming Meetings/Events

February 28, 2019	Iowa Department of Human Rights Day at the Capitol
March 15, 2019	Commission Meeting in Denison
June 28, 2019	Commission Meeting in Sioux City