Latino Health Council Meeting – January 23, 2020

Meeting called to order at 9:30 am. Introductions led by Patricia and meditation led by Martha.

**Members:** Patricia Tellez-Giron, Judith, Nina, Daniela, Michelle, Rachel, Abby, Phillipe, Fernando, Silvia, Tehmina, David, Shelly, Susie, Faatima, Rodrigo, Hannah, Anu, Martha, Julio, Armando, Brenda, Areli, Silvia, Noel, Frankie, Astor, Michael, Will, Shiva

Felipe Mesa Morales, Martha Saucedo, Faatima Khan, Julio Molma, Arely Tinoco, William Parke-Sotherland, Evie Storto, Tehmina Islam, Noel Fernandez, Armando Hernandez, Fernando Cano, Rodrigo Valdivia, Karilyn Stampfi, Nina Gregerson, Michell Zarate, Rachel Babcock, Shelly Shaw, Hannah Fleischmann, Anupama Bhalla, Maria Daniela Martin, Sylvia Eugenia Ruiz, Judith Rasmussesn, Susy Cranley, Silvia Martinez Segura, Evelyn Cruz

**Minutes**: Judith moved to pass the minutes. Fernando seconded. Motion passed. October 2019 minutes were approved.

## **Announcements:**

- Mendota is looking for nurses. If you know of anyone who is looking to be trained as a nurse or is looking for a job. The application deadline is February 26, 2020. Please contact Fernando and help spread the word. They are also hiring a psychologist.
- 13<sup>th</sup> Annual Health Watch Conference will be held on March 5, 2020 and will be hosted by Health Watch Wisconsin. There is a 50% discount for members.
- Please contact Armando if you have any school district concerns; he wants to be a bridge for people.
- Dr Elena Rios who is the president of the Hispanic National Association will be the keynote speaker at the Diversity summit. The summit will be held on April 6<sup>th</sup> from 4:30 to 7:30 at the medical school. She will also be having dinner the night before with faculty and a breakfast with Latinx leaders in town.
- Shiva was awarded one of the Outstanding Women of Color Award for 2020. The awards ceremony is on March 5, 2020. We are very proud of her.

The Mexican consulate contacted LHC to help provide health resources to the community.

• We have two more Latinx students admitted to the UW Madison medical school with a full tuition reimbursement.

**2020 Meetings:** Review of the 2020 meeting dates. Please note that not all of the monthly meetings are on the 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday.

**Teen Bash:** The Latino Teen Health Bash was another success. The kids were so engaged. We learned so much about what teens are challenged and inspired by. After the years, their maturity and learning skills just keep developing.

**MOLA:** This is an organization in Chicago that supports medical professionals who are Latinx. Patricia, Shiva and others are collaborating to open a Wisconsin chapter.

**PALMA:** Patricia is also working to be a bridge between health care professionals, LHC, and PALMA and make sure incoming students know the resources that are available to them.

**Financial Report:** We are rich! Just kidding. We are in a healthy position financially and we will be able to hold our events this year with the donations and contributions we hope to receive in 2020. This is the time to sign your membership agreement and send in your membership dues ©. We have not been able to secure money for the breast cancer project and perhaps a breastfeeding promotion program. UW Health will be supporting Nuestra Salud which is very generous.

**Events:** We will be able to use Bethel Lutheran Church but we will need to move things back to how we find it when we first arrive. Discussion followed about possibly using Madison College space downtown. Brenda will look into this further.

**Nuestra Salud** – We already have the full schedule of the radio program. The schedule is also on the website.

**Website Committee:** If you have a logo for your organization, please send this to Eduardo or Fernando to put up on the website. If there is a new contact or organization information, please contact Fernando. Fernando will meet with members who were interested in social media.

**Membership Committee:** We discussed having representation from dental organizations. We were talking about sending an RSVP through google. And we are also thinking about sending out a survey asking for feedback from members. And there will be two Collectivo gift certificates as raffle prizes at the October meeting for people to win © Arely will also send around a sign up sheet for anyone who wants to lead a meditation. Martha is happy to help guide someone.

**Finance Committee:** The committee just needs to send the request letter out.

**POWERS Presentation:** Tehmina & Noel gave a presentation about POWERS: Pregnancy Options Wisconsin – Education, Resources and Support. They have a call line and website at <a href="https://www.pregnancyoptionswi.org">www.pregnancyoptionswi.org</a> to support people through all of their options regarding pregnancy, adoption, abortion, miscarriage, etc. LHC gave feedback about language access, website changes, wording importance, connections and collaborations in the community!