

AGENDA
CULTURAL RELATIONS ADVISORY BOARD
FRIDAY, April 10, 2015 – 12:00 Noon
Dodge City Public Library – 1001 N. Second Ave.

April is CELEBRATE DIVERSITY MONTH

CALL TO ORDER

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF February 13, 2015 meeting

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

1. Cultural Relations in schools.

NEW BUSINESS

1. USCIS Mobile Services scheduled for Dodge City (flyers attached)

BOARD PROGRAMS (keep in mind)

1. Community Engagement Partnership Program.
2. National Welcoming Week
3. Racial Profiling/Bias Based Policing – report by Board representatives.
4. Multicultural Park Party
5. Welcoming Cities Initiative

COMMENTS FROM BOARD MEMBERS/STAFF –

1. Cinco de Mayo celebration Saturday, May 2nd.
2. May 21 is World Day for Cultural Diversity for Dialogue and Development

2015 Meeting: May 8

June 12

July 10

August 14

September 11

October 9

November 13

December 11

ADJOURNMENT

MINUTES
CULTURAL RELATIONS ADVISORY BOARD
Friday, February 13, 2015 - 12:00 noon
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CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order by Chairman Greta Clark.

Members present: Greta Clark, Debra Muylaert, Oliver Bland, Robert Vinton, Raymond Rangel, Sergio Garcia, Elva Dominguez, Lado Lodoka, Refugee Coordinator for KDCF. Staff: Jane Longmeyer and Ernestor De La Rosa.

Absent: Mary Marquez and Chamber representative.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: The minutes of the January 9, 2015 meeting were approved on a motion by Debra, seconded by Robert and approved.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

1. Black History Month. The display items were provided by Vicki Williamson, Oliver Bland and Greta Clark.
2. Cultural Relations in Schools. Staff from Linn School are currently working on a plan and will contact the Board when they need some assistance.
3. Ernestor reported there were approximately 100 people in attendance of the presentation on President Obama's Executive Action On Immigration. The program went from 6:00-7:30 with lots of questions asked of the attorney. Ernestor asked if the Board would support another general information presentation that would not address legal questions but to explain the DAPA process and the documents needed to prove their residency. The Board is in support of assisting as needed. Elva suggested such a session would be a good opportunity to let people know know to proceed and to be knowledgeable when working with attorneys they do not know .

Robert Vinton spoke on the event sponsored by National Beef and USD #443 at the Civic Center in which parents from National Beef were invited to learn how to use the Skyward computer program to access their children's grades. Immigration Attorney Eloy Gallegos was also in attendance to answer questions. Approximately 200 people attended. There is discussion how these programs can continue in order to involve the parents.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. The agenda packet included several lists of diversity/cultural/national holidays to celebrate.

BOARD PROGRAMS:

1. National Welcoming Week –Lado is working on developing ways to have a community conversation in Garden City, bringing people together at the table to talk about moving forward

in a harmonious way. Greta mentioned that community cafes have been very successful and suggested that may be an activity for National Welcoming Week. Robert suggested that Lado attend the Cargill Advisory Panel once a month.

2. Debra reported that the racial profiling/bias based policing board meeting of January 20th focused on the efforts that are currently taking place to recruit bilingual police officers.
3. The Chamber is working to bring in new leadership on the Multicultural Committee but is interested in the Cultural Relations Advisory Board members helping with the International Park Party during Dodge City Days.
4. There will be a telephone conversation with staff from the Welcoming Cities organization on February 19 at 10:30 am at City Hall.

Comments From Board Members/Staff:

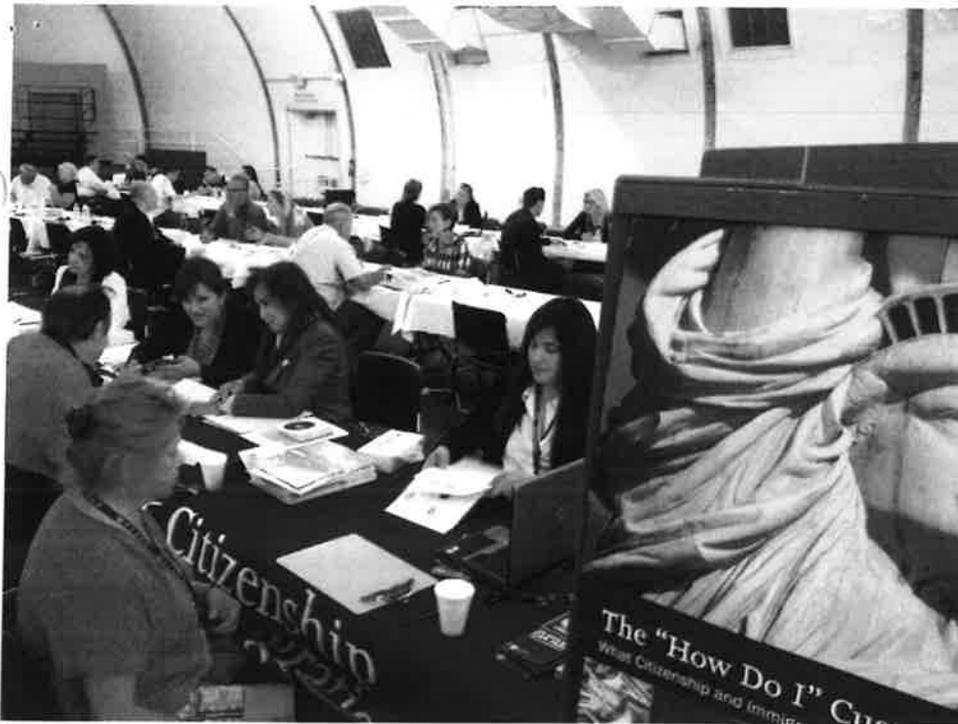
1. Greta asked if there is a statement/recommendation from the Board about being a culturally healthy community – how to bring awareness.
2. Lado mentioned the challenges of having qualified interpreters available and is bringing in interpreters to train fifteen community members. The training will take forty hours. Tyson in Garden City is identifying people to send to the training. Red Cross is donating \$1,000 to help fund the project. There is interest from Cargill and National to send people to the training. Greta asked if the training could be scheduled in Cimarron. Lado will send further information to the Board as the program is developed.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned on a motion by Oliver and seconded by Debra.

Sincerely,



Jane Longmeyer



FYI:

USCIS MOBILE SERVICES BACK IN DODGE CITY, KS

USCIS PRE-SCHEDULED APPOINTMENTS ONLY

The United States Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) Mobil Service will be back in Dodge City, Kansas to provide biometrics and citizenship interviews. USCIS is expected to provide services on the following dates:

- **Biometrics, April 28-30**
- **Citizenship Interviews, May 5-7**

USCIS has already sent out notices for appointments via mail. The USCIS Mobile Services will be operating at Hennessey Hall located at 240 San Jose St. Dodge City, KS 67801.

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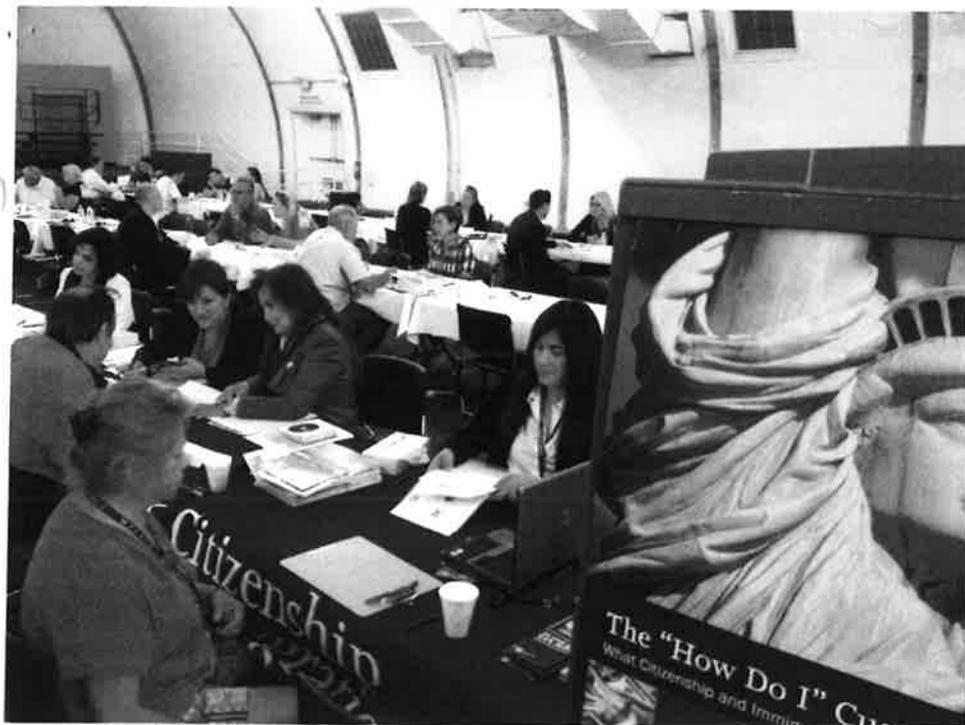
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ATENCIÓN: SERVICIOS MÓVILES DE USCIS OTRA VEZ EN DODGE CITY, KS

CITAS PRE-AGENDADAS POR USCIS SOLAMENTE

Los Servicios Móviles de Ciudadanía e Inmigración de Estados Unidos (USCIS) estará otra vez en Dodge City, Kansas para proveer servicios de huellas y entrevistas de ciudadanía. Se espera que USCIS preste sus servicios en las siguientes fechas:

- Huellas Digitales, 28-30 de Abril
- Entrevistas de Ciudadanía, 5-7 de Mayo

USCIS ya ha enviado los avisos para las citas por correo. Los Servicios Móviles de USCIS estarán operando en el Hennessey Hall ubicado en 240 San Jose St. Dodge City, KS 67801.

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