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TEXAS TECH UNIVERSITY HEALTH SCIENCES CENTER

Latino/Hispanic Faculty & Staff Association™

Jan 09, 2018

Location: CoMC room 156

Attendance: Laura Gonzales, Margie Ceja, Kelli Frias, Alexa Martinez, Lala Chavez, Jessica Simpson, Jorge Ramirez, Ashley Prothro, Irma Ramirez- Shepler, Sean Scully, Athema Baumann, Rosa A. Rodriguez, Patricia Rodriguez, Beatrice Perez, Leon Shturman, Graciela F. Quinteros, Jorge Salazar-Bravo, Jerry Perez, and Steven Dominguez

Start Time: 12:00 p.m.

Subject: Lupus. Presentation was shared by Lala Chavez, current LISD school board member and elected official. She currently lives with Lupus and has two daughters who have also been diagnosed with Lupus.

Discussion: Lala Chavez shared a video of Toni Braxton sharing her experience with the disease after Lala led into her own similarities with Toni. She chose this video because Toni is a woman of color and women (Indian, Latina, Asian) show to have higher diagnosis with Lupus than other groups. She shared her personal story about the disease and how it has affected her and her family. Her motto when thinking of the her diagnoses, which she has been living with for over 25 years ..“The Lupus does not control me I control the Lupus”. She said to remain positive no matter how many flare ups occur. She shared flare ups and what they were. She also mentioned she uses natural remedies and takes infusions. Remember to rest and take care of yourself, but most of all never sit around. Stay busy and continue to seek professional medical advice from your medical doctor.

Lala Chavez noticed while looking for a video on-line there were no Latina voices sharing stories about Lupus. Knowing that this is a disease which affects predominantly females and our community, Margie Ceja mentioned it may be time to create a video showing Lubbock Latina Lupus voices and shared on u-tube.

A local organization for Lupus is also here in Lubbock and can be found on facebook.

Resolution: Lala asked if a person you know or you have Lupus to please use the recipe of resting, and listening to the signs of your body. Seek medical attention to help you or they get through the flare-ups and think POSITIVE.

Subject: Minutes and Treasurer Report for December 2019

Discussion: Update corrections

Lunch was provided by LHFSA, remove by Beatrice Perez.

Margie Ceja is to send out thank you cards to volunteers, not donors.

Spring 2018 Banquet Coordinator: This year's banquet will be special since it is our 15th year anniversary. We began the organization Fall 2002.

Resolution: Motion passed

Subject: 15th Annual Banquet and Recognition, April 07, 2018

Discussion: Laura Gonzales, Chairman of the banquet mentioned the ticket sales for the event will occur soon and she would let members know when the tickets arrive. She shared the importance of starting off small for this year's banquet and every year we can get bigger and better. This is an event she would like faculty, staff, and the community to enjoy. When the word gets out that this is a first class banquet it will be great for Texas Tech University and the faculty, and staff. She also shared alcohol would be served before the dinner. A small fundraiser (silent auction) would be held which include a variety of baskets consisting of a variety of different themes which are attractive to (women and men). She mentioned collecting donations, in-kind gifts, and to solicit local businesses. A venue and menu for the event has been reserved.

Resolution: Laura will continue to keep the membership updated on the banquet.

Subject: Black, Faculty, and Staff Association Banquet 02.03.18

Discussion: Beatrice Perez, mentioned (LHFSA) has purchased a table and supports the BFSA every year at their banquet.

Resolution: Eight seats have been reserved for LHFSA members or officers.

Meeting Adjourned: 12:54

