

NAHJ Chicago meeting

6:30 p.m. Oct. 18, 2022 Zoom virtual meeting Attendants: 8 people

6:30 p.m. — President Carly Luque starts off the meeting to talk about our goals for the year, what is important to the organization and what we should focus on. We need to plan out how the next couple of months are going to look regarding possible training sessions, mixers and fundraising.

Vice President Laura Rodriguez brings up the importance of "Trauma Training" for journalists who are reporting from the scene, especially after back-to-back heavy news cycles, such as the Highland Park shooting. That kind of training would be beneficial across the board.

Another beneficial training session would be on "Bilingual Reporting" and opening up collaboration among our members/journalists throughout the city. Offering our help and services as an organization for people to come ask questions is something we want to consider for journalists and members of NAHJ Chicago in order to create a stronger chapter and presence.

6:45 p.m. — From bilingual reporting, the conversation merged into the ongoing news regarding the bussing of migrants from red states to Chicago and Illinois. There was a strong interest among members to arrange a type of meeting between NAHJ Chicago, nonprofits and city and state officials about how to facilitate reporting on the subject. A possible date was set for Tuesday, November 15th. We need to think about a possible location.

7 p.m. — Secretary Ismael Perez brought up the importance of connecting more with students, and suggested a casual meeting with area colleges. Possible pizza night, in order to get acquainted with future scholarship applicants.

7:05 p.m. — President Carly went over the next couple of months with possible events.

- Migrant conversation with the city in November.
- Scholarship fundraiser in January
- PIO Cafe con Leche in February
- Student engagement mixer in the springtime

7:10 p.m. — End of meeting