

**Lorain County Board of Elections
Spanish Language Advisory Committee
Meeting Minutes
December 4, 2025**

Call to Order: The Thursday, December 4, 2025 meeting of the Spanish Language Advisory Committee was called to order by David Arredondo at 4:33 p.m.

1. Roll Call

Members in attendance: David Arredondo, Mary Santiago, Evelyn Reyes, Tomás Cabassa, and Sonia Charles.

Member-designate: Gladys Ortiz

Staff in Attendance: Daniel Caabeiro, Mary Jordan, Cindie Temkiewicz.

Excused Absence: James Kramer.

2. Approval of September 2nd, 2025, Minutes: A Motion was made by Mary Santiago, seconded by Sonia Charles.
Motion carried 5-0.

3. Swearing-in of New Committee Member: Gladys Ortiz was sworn in as the newest member of the Committee and Chairman Arredondo extended his best wishes to her.

4. Bilingual PEO Recruitment: The Committee was briefed by BOE staff as to the status of bilingual PEO participation for the 2025 General Election and the ongoing need for bilingual PEOs. Member Tomás Cabassa inquired as to voter need for bilingual interpretation during the 2025 General Election. Members were advised that the Committee would be provided with PEO recruitment materials.

5. Scheduling for the Next Committee Meeting: The Committee was briefed on the date range for the next meeting of the Spanish Language Advisory Committee, to be tentatively held between March 2nd and March 13th, 2026.

6. Other: Chairman Arredondo reflected on the significance of Lorain County Board of Elections' appointment of Lisette Gracia as its new Director, as well as the historical trajectory of Hispanic contributions to the county's political history.

7. Adjournment:
Motion to adjourn made by Mary Santiago, seconded by Gladys Ortiz.
Motion carried 6-0.

The meeting adjourned at 4:47 p.m.

ATTEST:



David Arredondo, Chairman

ATTEST:



Evelyn Reyes, Secretary