



**The Farmworkers Institute of Education and Leadership Development, Inc
FIELD BOARD OF DIRECTORS SPECIAL MEETING
EPIC de Cesar Chavez Board of Trustees Meeting
MINUTES**

**Location: Farmworkers Institute of Education & Leadership Development
122 E. Tehachapi Blvd. Ste C
Tehachapi, CA 93561**

Zoom Meeting/Teleconference Location:
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83846360613>

**Meeting ID: 838 4636 0613
By Phone (669) 900-9128**

Monday, September 12, 2022 at 12:00 pm

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ON THE WEB: Agendas may be viewed at www.farmworkerinstitute.org

1. MEETING CALLED TO ORDER: *Mr. Villarino called the meeting to order at 12:00pm*

2. ESTABLISH A QUORUM *Mr. Villarino established quorum at 12:04pm*

Roll Call:

David Villarino (*Present*)

Dr. Nora Dominguez (*present, by video conference*)(*joined at 12:04 pm*)

Dr. Mark Martinez (*present by phone*)

Dr. Jesse Ortiz (*not present*)

Ines De Luna (*present, by video conference*)

Nadia Villagran (*present, by video conference*)(*joined at 12:04 pm*)

Nonvoting:

Patrick Pine, Secretary (*not present*)

Michael Gomez, Treasurer (*present, by video conference*) (*joined at 12:03 pm*)

Joseph Casas (*General Counsel*) (*not present*)

Staff Present:

Rosa Ruelas (*present, by video conference*)

Gustavo Olvera (*present, by video conference*)

Susana Navarro-Llamas (*present, by video conference*)

3. SALUTE TO THE FLAG / FARMWORKER POEM

No Salute to the Flag/Farmworker Poem

4. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

Mr. Villarino asked everyone to review the agenda, there were no comments. Chair entertained a motion to adopt the Agenda. Ines DeLuna moved, Mark Martinez seconded the motion. There was no discussion and the motion was approved unanimously.

5. OPEN PUBLIC FORUM

It is appropriate for the public to address the FIELD Board regarding items of public interest within the jurisdiction of the board before or during the Board's consideration of the items. Time allowed may be limited to three minutes per item. If a large number wishes to speak on a specific item, the board may limit total input to 30 minutes on any item. Individuals or groups may address the board on items not listed on the agenda; however, no action can or will be taken on the unlisted items.

Further, Education Code §35145.5 also establishes the right of the public to place items on the agenda directly relating to business of the FIELD/EPIC Board of Directors. Agenda requests must be made in writing ten days prior to board meetings.

In accordance with the law, the public and Board are hereby given notice that a tape recording of today's meeting is being made. This recording is to assist in the completion of the minutes. It is NOT a transcript of the meeting and may be disposed of in 30 days. The official transcript of this meeting will continue to be the adopted minutes.

Mr. Villarino opened the public forum at 12:02 pm. He asked if there were any comments by the public. There were none.

6. CLOSE PUBLIC FORUM

Public forum closed at 12:03 pm

7. CLOSED SESSION

The board may call for a closed session to discuss confidential personnel matters, potential litigation, or other matters allowed under the Brown Act.

No Closed Session

8. OPEN SESSION

9. APPROVAL OF THE CONSENT AGENDA:

All consent agenda items for the FIELD BOARD OF DIRECTORS are considered to be routine and will be enacted by one motion unless a board member requests separate action on a specific item. Approval recommended on all items listed:

No items

10. REPORTS: THE BOARD MAY, IF TIME PERMITS, TAKE BOARD REPORTS AND SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT AT ANY TIME DURING THE MEETING AND NOT AT A SPECIFIC TIME.

There is very limited board discussion, between the board, except to ask questions or refer matters to staff, and no action will be taken unless listed elsewhere on the agenda or on a subsequent agenda.

Mr. shared we did not get the \$5M State Budget Allocation but instead we received \$8M.

Mr. Villarino reminded the board of directors of our event coming up on September 20th at our CTE Operations Center in Bakersfield to celebrate the \$8M allocation. We will celebrate with tours, training demonstrations, food & refreshments.

Mrs. Nora Dominguez shared that after 21 years of service at the University of La Verne she has made the transition to Bakersfield College and commented she will continue to support FIELD.

11. INFORMATION ITEMS (nonvoting)

1. David Villarino, President/CEO

a) Introduction of Adonis Galarza

Mr. Villarino introduced Adonis Galarza. Adonis is from the Coachella Valley, Riverside County, we hired him through a grant from Cadiz to implement the wastewater and the water delivery program. Adonis was president of the student Body at Cal State Bakersfield. He worked for the California Charter School Association on policy and advocacy. He's also worked recently with an environmental conservation group in the Coachella Valley. Adonis will be the person heading up implementation of our Cadiz program in the southern region.

2. Gustavo Olvera, Director of Workforce Development

a) CalRecycle end of Grant Cycle Report RLC35

Gustavo Olvera, Director of Workforce Development shared an update on the the CalRecycle end of Cycle Report RLC35. Total of 211 tons o collectedf recycling material. This includes, beverage containers, waste tires that have been illegally dumped throughout Kern County, and 166,605 pounds in E-waste. Completed 163 curbside events, the coremembers would go out and collect daily throughout our neighborhoods in Bakersfield and in the surrounding communities.

Distributed 38,194 flyers in educational material relating to recycling, the goal was 6000 pieces of educational material.

A lot of the the the collection tonnage was exceeded above what CalRecycle requested, we over exceeded our goals. We expended the \$1,738,825 of the grant within the performance period and now we need approval of this end of cycle report so that we can go ahead and close out this cycle and continue on with cycle 36 which is 1.8M.

2. Rosa Ruelas, Accounting Manager

- a) Review of the Unaudited Actuals

Rosa Ruelas, Accounting Manager shared FIELD's High School Unaudited Actuals from July 1, 2021 to June 30, 2022. The Unaudited Actuals Total Revenues includes the Conservation Corps, as the EPIC Workforce Development program part of CTE totaling \$12,415,798M with a total ADA of 360. Rosa went over the breakdown of the Total Expenditures reflecting \$14,679,554M. Rosa continued sharing the Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over Expenditures Before Other Financing Resources and Uses reflecting a loss of \$2,263,756M for the year. As of July 1, 2021 the Fund Balance was \$6,688,352M less the loss we are currently at \$4,724,596M fund balance with EPIC High School programs.

12. OLD BUSINESS:

13. NEW BUSINESS:

FIELD/EPIC:

- 1. Action Item:** Shall the FIELD Board of Directors/EPIC Board of Trustees approve the review of the Unaudited Actuals?
- 2. Action Item:** Shall the FIELD Board of Directors/EPIC Board of Trustees approve the CalRecycle RLC35 end of Grant Cycle Report?

Chair entertained a motion to approve Action Items 1-2. Mark Martinez moved, Nora Dominguez seconded. Items discussed during Information Items, motion was approved unanimously.

14. ADJOURNMENT:

Meeting adjourned at 12:37 pm

Next Meeting Date: Regularly Scheduled FIELD Board Meeting; Saturday, September 24, 2022 time and location to be determined.

This Special Meeting Agenda was posted at least 24 hours in advance of the meeting at FIELD, 122 E. Tehachapi Blvd. Ste. C., Tehachapi, CA 93561, online on the website, and at the meeting location.