

# SPECIAL BOARD MEETING MINUTES

# The Farmworkers Institute of Education and Leadership Development, Inc FIELD BOARD OF DIRECTORS

**Location:** Farmworkers Institute of Education & Leadership Development FIELD CTE Operations Center 2240 S. Union Ave
Bakersfield, CA 93307

# **Zoom Meeting/Teleconference Location:**

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89433939914

By phone (669) 444-9171 Meeting ID: 894 3393 9914

Wednesday, November 29, 2023 at 12:30 pm

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**1. MEETING CALLED TO ORDER: :** Mr. Villarino called the meeting to order at 12:33 pm

2. ESTABLISH A QUORUM: Secretary Patrick Pine established quorum at 12:25 pm

## **Roll Call:**

David Villarino (present)

Dr. Nora Dominguez (present)

Dr. Mark Martinez (present)

Ines De Luna (present)

Nadia Villagran(present)

Greg Cervantes (present)

Oscar Gonzales (present)

#### Nonvoting:

Patrick Pine, Secretary (present)
Michael Gomez, Treasurer (present)
John C. Lemmo, General Counsel (not present)

#### **Staff Present:**

Maria Rawls (present)
Susana Navarro-Llamas (present)

### 3. SALUTE TO THE FLAG / FARMWORKER POEM

Chair dispensed the Salute of the Flag/Farmworker Poem

# 4. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

Chair entertained a motion to adopt the FIELD Agenda. Nadia Villagran moved, Ines DeLuna 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 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 12:35 pm. He asked if there were any comments by the public. There were none.

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# 6. CLOSE PUBLIC FORUM

• Public forum closed at 12:36 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

Open session resumed at 12:37pm

#### 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:

- a) Approval of Minutes from September 6, 2023
- b) Approval of Minutes from October 20 & 21, 2023

Chair made a motion to approve Minutes from September 6, 2023 & October 20 & 21, 2023. Ines DeLuna Moved, Dr. Mark Martinez seconded. There was no discussion and the motion was unanimously approved.

# 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.

#### 11. INFORMATION ITEMS:

#### 1. David Villarino - President CEO

a) Moses Neal to replace Trudy Gerald as board director of FIELD Enterprises

Mr. Villarino shared Dr. Trudy Gerald has requested to step away from the board due to personal reasons, in her place Chief Moses Neal has agreed to serve our board for FIELD Enterprises.

#### 2. Maria Rawls - FIELD Advancement

a) FIELD-NMTC transaction resolutions

Maria Rawls shared the resolutions for FIELD-NMTC transactions with the board of directors. This is an update on the resolutions that speak to the new dollar amount taking our project investments with Wells Fargo from a \$10.3 million project to a \$12 million project.

## 12. OLD BUSINESS:

#### **13. NEW BUSINESS:**

FIELD:

 Action Item: Shall the FIELD Board of Directors approve to remove and replace Trudy Gerald with Moses Neal as Director of FIELD Enterprises? Chair entertained a motion to approve replacing Trudy Gerald with Moses Neal as Director of FIELD Enterprises. Dr. Nora Dominguez moved, and Dr. Mark Martinez seconded. There was no discussion, motion was approved unanimously.

**Action Item**: Shall the FIELD Board of Directors approve the updated FIELD-NMTC transaction resolutions?

Chair entertained a motion to approve the updated FIELD-NMTC transaction resolution. Nadia Villagran moved, Ines DeLuna seconded the motion. There was no discussion, motion was approved unanimously.

# **14. ADJOURNMENT:**

Chair entertained a motion to adjourn. Ines DeLuna moved, Mark Martinez seconded. There was no discussion and the motion was approved unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 12:59 pm

Next Meeting Date: Regularly Scheduled FIELD Board Meeting; Saturday, March 9, 2024 time and location to be determined.

This Special Meeting Agenda was posted at least 24 hours in advance of the meeting at FIELD, CTE Operations Center, 2240 S. Union Ave. Bakersfield, CA 93307 online on the website, and at the meeting location.