

**SAN FERNANDO EDUCATION COMMISSION  
MINUTES**

**June 25, 2024 – 4:30 P.M.  
REGULAR MEETING**

City Hall Council Chambers  
117 Macneil Street  
San Fernando, Ca 91340

**CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL**

Chair David Govea called the meeting to order at 4:30 p.m.

Members:

Present: Chair David Govea, Vice Chair Angel Zobel-Rodriguez, Commissioner Olivia Robledo (via teleconference at 4:35pm), Commissioner Sonia Mariscal-Navaro, and Commissioner Laurel Rodriguez

Staff: Recreation and Community Services Director, Julio Salcedo, Community Services Supervisor, Juan Salas, and RCS Executive Assistant, Maria Calleros

**TELECONFERENCE REQUESTS/DISCLOSURE**

Motion by Vice Chair Zobel-Rodriguez, seconded by Commissioner Rodriguez to approve Commissioner Robledo's request to participate by remote teleconference due to a death in the family and declared there were no other individuals in her location over the age of 18. Motion carried.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Led by Chair David Govea

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Motion made by Commissioner Robledo, seconded by Vice Commissioner Zobel-Rodriguez to approve the agenda. By consensus, the motion carried.

**PRESENTATIONS**

Deputy Director of Engagement for LAUSD Board Member Kelly Gonez, Maria Flores provided school district updates. The LAUSD school board approved \$82 million towards B6 schools, including classroom upgrades, greening projects, athletic facilities, digital marquees, and more. San Fernando High School was awarded \$15 million for a football field upgrade. Ms. Flores also

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shared events that were held and attended by Board Member Kelly Gonez. Ms. Flores and Board Member Kelly Gonez will visit schools that are hosting summer programs as well as early education centers. At this time, Ms. Flores opened up the floor for any questions.

### **PUBLIC STATEMENTS – WRITTEN/ORAL**

No public statements.

### **CONSENT CALENDAR**

1) REQUEST TO APPROVE SAN FERNANDO EDUCATION COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES FOR:

- a. May 30, 2024

Motion made by Vice Chair Zobel-Rodriguez, seconded by Commissioner Rodriguez, to approve the consent calendar with noted corrections from Commissioner Rodriguez. By consensus, the motion carried.

### **ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS**

2) Annual Reorganization- Selection of Commissioners to Serve as Chair and Vice Chair for the Education Commission Fiscal Year 2024-2025

Chair Govea nominated Vice Chair Zobel-Rodriguez as commission chair for the next term, seconded by Commissioner Robledo. Vice Chair Zobel-Rodriguez accepts nomination.

Vice Chair Zobel-Rodriguez nominated Chair Govea as commissioner vice chair for next term, seconded by Commissioner Rodriguez. Chair Govea accept nomination.

Seat changes effective during July's meeting.

3) Discussion Regarding Student of the Month Nomination, Selection and Presentation Procedures

Chair Govea provided a brief description of the program and presented the monthly themes for the upcoming scholarship cycle. Chair Govea also revisited the discussion regarding scholarship inclusion of special needs students. Commissioners discussed assigning the month of April as special consideration for students with special needs. Chair Govea opened the floor for thoughts and suggestions regarding April modification. Modifications will include an added line to every monthly theme welcoming special needs students. Commissioner Robledo and Vice Chair Zobel-Rodriguez volunteered to speak at schools faculty meetings to promote student of the month.

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Motion made by Chair Govea, seconded by Commissioner Rodriguez, to approve adding an asterisk including ELD, inclusion, and multilingual students to nomination forms. By consensus, the motion carried.

Vice Chair Zobel-Rodriguez confirmed gift card sponsorship from Bodevi Espresso Bar. Gift cards are awarded to student of the month and teacher’s spotlight nominees.

**4) Discussion Regarding the Teacher’s Spotlight Program**

Vice Chair Zobel-Rodriguez provided a brief description of the teacher’s spotlight nomination process. Commissioners discussed ideas on how to spread word about the program as well as lower grade students having access to vote for teachers. Ms. Calleros suggested reaching out to school administrations to add spotlight program blurb to schools digital newsletter. Commissioner Mariscal-Navarro also suggested tabling at city community events.

**5) Discussion Regarding the Student Scholarship Program**

Commission discussed funding for the new scholarship cycle. Vice Chair Zobel-Rodriguez confirmed committed funding for Unheard Voices, Beyond the Bachelors, Gerry’s Kids, and Republic. Focus would be on the three remaining unfunded scholarships. Ms. Calleros will present an updated donation later at the next meeting.

Commissioner Robledo expressed the need for support with fundraising from city council. Vice Chair Zobel-Rodriguez suggested reaching out to scholarship winners for the last 10 years for a life/education update. She will share an email draft to previous winners with the commission at the next meeting.

**COMMISSIONER UPDATES/REQUESTS TO AGENDIZE ITEM FOR DISCUSSION AT A FUTURE MEETING**

Commissioner Rodriguez shared how helpful the city’s app in assisting her with a homeless individual.

Vice Chair Zobel-Rodriguez thanked Mr. Salas for the graduate banners.

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Commissioner Mariscal-Navarro shared her thoughts on AB1955. Mr. Salcedo made a point of clarification that commissioners are encouraged to voice their opinions. However, they are not to present as a city or commission opinion.

**NEW JULY AGENDA ITEMS:**

- Student Scholarship Program
- Student of the Month
- Teacher’s Spotlight

Motion made by Chair Govea, seconded by Vice Chair Zobel-Rodriguez. By consensus, the motion carried.

**STAFF COMMUNICATION**

RCS Executive Assistant, Maria Calleros, presented a power point presentation with announcements that included summer day camp updates, youth sports, family resource fair, and mixed line dance class. Ms. Calleros also shared information on the upcoming Fourth of July festival and summer movie nights.

**ADJOURNMENT (5:46 p.m.)**

I do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the minutes of June 25, 2024, meeting as approved by the Education Commission.

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Maria Calleros  
Executive Assistant