

**SAN FERNANDO EDUCATION COMMISSION
MINUTES**

**July 26, 2022 – 4:30 P.M.
REGULAR MEETING**

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

CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL

Chair Nicole Mohr called the meeting to order at 4:35 p.m.

Present:

Members: Chair Nicole Mohr, Vice Chair Angel Zobel-Rodriguez, Commissioner Olivia Robeldo (arrived at 4:40pm) and Commissioner David Govea

Staff: Recreation and Community Services Director, Julian Venegas, Community Services Supervisor, Juan Salas, RCS Executive Assistant, Maria Calleros, and Office Clerk, Tiffany Hernandez

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Led by Vice Chair David Govea

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

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

PRESENTATIONS

LAUSD Community of Schools Administrator, Eduardo Solorzano, sent an email with all updates. Summer programs ended Friday, July 22nd with 1,042 students enrolled and an attendance rate of 99%. Around 294 students were enrolled at Cesar E. Chavez Learning Academies and 352 students at San Fernando High School. Beyond The Bell had a total of 603 students in their summer program. The K-8 summer program had a total of 862 participants.

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The email also contained an update on staffing changes. He shared that Mr. Guillen, the principal at San Fernando Elementary will begin his new assignment on August 2, 2022. Ms. Karin Aguilar has been selected as the new principal of San Fernando Elementary. Morningside Elementary is currently going thru a new principal selection process and anticipate a new principal by mid-August. He will schedule a meeting with both the new principals and the representatives of the Education Commission. The 2022-2023 school year begins on Monday, August 15th.

Deputy Board Member Kelly Gonez informed the commission that the summer programs served over 100,000 kids. She also shared details from the districts 2022-2026 strategic plan, "Ready for the World". The plan outlines the districts vision for improvement of student achievement and close opportunity gaps over the next 4 years. This plan also outlines core goals around academic excellence such as; joy and wellness, engagement and collaboration, operational effectiveness, and the district's plan to invest in staff. She informed the commission that this plan can be view at achieve.lausd.net/teachers plan. She is currently waiting for an official notice from the LA County Public Health Dept. regarding the COVID protocols for the new school year. If the mask mandate does go in to affect, masks will be provided to all students and staff. Board Member Kelly Gonez also shared that schools have drifted away from continuous testing program to a response testing effort. If someone is displaying symptoms or has been exposed the will then be tested. Rapid at home tests will be distributed before the start of school. She will send an updated principals list for schools in the city of San Fernando.

No questions from Commission.

PUBLIC STATEMENTS – WRITTEN/ORAL

No public comments.

CONSENT CALENDAR

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

- a. July 26, 2022

Motion made by Commissioner Govea, seconded by Vice Commissioner Zobel-Rodriguez, to approve the consent calendar. By consensus, the motion carried.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

2) Consideration to Approve Resolution1 – Fixing the Regular Schedule for the Education Commission Meeting

The Commission had concerns with voting on a Resolution to fix the Education Commission meeting day and time. Director Venegas explained that subsequently to submitting the agenda report calling for approval of Resolution 1 he was informed that a simple majority vote was all that was needed to fix the Commission's meeting day and time.

Commissioner Govea motions to reaffirm the motion made at the June 28 meeting fixing the meetings to the last Tuesday of every month at 4:30pm. Vice Chair Zobel-Rodriguez seconds the motion. By census, the motion carried affirming prior recommendation to change meeting time.

3) Discussion and Consideration Regarding Setting Fiscal Year 2022-2023 Goals and Objectives

Discussion was held regarding funding. Chair Mohr reviews the expenditures line item for the Scholarship Award Ceremony. Chair Mohr added that the \$1,500 is not sufficient enough to work with when planning the scholarship event and principals' brunch.

Chair Mohr discussed the importance of a principals' brunch this year. Commissioner Govea, Robledo, and Zobel-Rodriguez agreed that a principals' brunch event is needed. It was also discussed that commissioners volunteer to contribute \$50.00 each towards funding the Student of the Month program. The contribution will be collected at the next commission meeting.

Chair Mohr suggested that \$750.00 be budgeted for the principals' brunch and \$750.00 for the scholarship event. Vice Chair Zobel-Rodriguez motions to assign \$750.00 to principals' brunch and \$750.00 to scholarship event and the 4 sitting commissioners to donate \$50.00 for the Student of the Month program. Commissioner Robledo seconds the motion. By consensus, the motion carried.

4) Discussion Regarding San Fernando Student of the Month Nomination, Selection and Presentation Procedures

Commission decided to eliminate August. It was decided that applications/nominations begin in September instead of August given that students are in session for half of August. Commissioner Robledo added that the form is emailed to principals and school counselors. She also suggested to email application to union representatives as well.

Commissioner Govea shared that the process they followed last year should be replicated for this year. He will send out a power point presentation along with the forms. Chair Mohr and

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Commissioner Govea will continue to be Ad Hoc program. Commissioner Govea recommended the same categories be followed this year. Categories are as follows:

- a. September- Positive Attitude
- b. October- Responsibility/ Ownership
- c. November- Giving Back
- d. December/January- Leadership
- e. February- Kindness/Caring (Allies)
- f. March- Creative/Artistic
- g. April- Special Circumstances (Resilience or Perseverance) = Challenges/ Obstacles
- h. May- Academic Achievement

Commissioner Govea will send a power point presentation along with a Student of the Month form.

GENERAL COMMISSIONER COMMENTS

Commissioner O.Robledo suggested to the commission scheduling a presentation next year on the Green School yard project. O. Robledo will reach out to M. Calleros when the presentation is ready. Chair Mohr suggested that the presentation be moved up to this August or September. Chair Mohr also suggested inviting principals to join the meeting.

Commissioner D.Govea shared that there is currently a nationwide teacher shortage and encouraged those who are considering teaching to apply.

Vice Chair Zobel-Rodriguez had no comments at this time.

Chair Mohr shared that O'Melveny elementary school will be celebrating their 100 year anniversary. She will be working on obtaining a certificate of recognition from the City of San Fernando and invite city electives to join their 100 year celebration.

STAFF COMMUNICATION

J. Venegas shared that the Rotary Club and Visions to Learn Organization are currently discussing a program that provides free eye screenings for kids up to 18 years old. Visions to Learn will also be referring children who do not pass their eye exam to one of their mobile units for a full eye exam. Along with this exam, they will be receiving glasses at no cost. This program will preferably run out of LAUSD, charter, and private.

M. Calleros shared that this past Friday, "King Richard" was played at Pioneer Park along with a demonstration from the city's tennis program. This Friday, "Encanto" will be showing at Las

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Palmas Park and “Jurassic Park” at Rudy Ortega Park on Friday, August 5th. She also shared with the commission that summer camp is in its last 2 weeks. This past Friday, the Helpful Honda people came out to San Fernando Park and handed out free ice cream to all camp kids.

T. Hernandez gave an update on the Mission City Baseball Clinic that is currently taking place. Session began on July 19th and runs thru August 11th at Las Palmas Park. She also shared that registration is now open for Mission City Fall Ball.

J. Salas also shared that 100 people participated in the Movies at the Park event held this past Friday. Free Gatorade, pizza, and popcorn was provided to the first 200 participants sponsored by Hamer Toyota. He updated the commission on the meeting he had with LA County regarding COVID-19 cases. Testing kits were sent to the parks and were given to the day camp kids. Campers were instructed to test on Monday before coming in to camp. So far, there have been no reports of positive COVID-19 tests. Overnight camping at Rudy Ortega Park was a success with a total of 37 participants. Rudy Ortega Jr. participated as well and gave a brief history on the Tatavium Tribe. The next camping trip is scheduled for the 1st week of November to Joshua Tree.

ADJOURNMENT (5:43 p.m.)

I do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the minutes of July 26, 2022, meeting as approved by the Education Commission.

Maria Calleros
Executive Assistant