# SAN FERNANDO EDUCATION COMMISSION MINUTES

# September 27, 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 4:30 p.m.

Present:

Members: Chair Nicole Mohr, Vice Chair Angel Zobel-Rodriguez, and Commissioner

David Govea

Staff: Recreation and Community Services Director, Julian Venegas, 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**

Savannah Ackerman and Cindy Villegas from Tree People presented a slideshow regarding the organization. Savannah shared that the Environmental Education Program reaches more than 200,000, K-12 grade students per year as well as providing internships for college students. Tree People is hosting 4 workshops in October.

- 1. October 1st- Calles Verdes Volunteer Supervisor Training 9:00am-12:00pm
- 2. October 18<sup>th</sup>- Building A Water Resilient Los Angeles County 3:30pm-5:00pm via Zoom

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- 3. October 22<sup>nd</sup>- Calles Verdes Tree Planting 9:00am-12:00pm
- 4. October 27<sup>th</sup>- Building A Resourceful Los Angeles County 3:30pm-5:00pm via Zoom

For more information, visit www.treepeople.org/volunteer

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

City of San Fernando council member, Sylvia Ballin announced that she met with a potential scholarship donor. This donor may donate scholarship money for the 2022-2023 scholarship year. Councilmember Ballin will forward the contact information to the Scholarship Ad Hoc Committee and recommend that the commissioners make contact with this potential donor to secure the donation.

#### **CONSENT CALENDAR**

- 1) REQUEST TO APPROVE SAN FERNANDO EDUCATION COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES FOR:
  - a. August 30, 2022

Motion made by Commissioner Robledo, seconded by Commissioner Govea, to approve the consent calendar. By consensus, the motion carried.

## **ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS**

2) Discussion and Selection Of The October 2022 Student Of The Month

Commissioner Govea shared the nominee for October's Responsibility/Ownership student of the month. Sunday Kelly is a 6<sup>th</sup> grader at San Fernando Institute of Applied Media. She is a top student, responsible, and advocates for classrooms.

Chair Mohr amended the nomination and added September's Positive Attitude nominee, Itzel Bueno for positive attitude, leadership, and responsibility. Itzel is from the Academy of Scientific Exploration and was nominated by Carlos Hernandez.

Commissioner Govea will be at the certificate presentation. He will provide the nominees information to staff so the certificates can be prepared for the presentation. Chair Mohr recommended implementing teacher's spotlight and awarding gift cards.

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## 3) Discussion Regarding The Principals' Brunch

Mrs. Calleros provided site availability to the commission for the principal's brunch. Recreation Park is available on Thursday, January 26<sup>th</sup> and Friday, January 27<sup>th</sup> from 9:0am-11:30am. Director Venegas also added that he did some outreach to local service groups and Odd Fellows is willing to host principals' brunch as well.

Vice Chair Zobel-Rodriguez moves to host brunch at Recreation Park on Friday, January 27<sup>th</sup>. Commissioner Govea seconded the motion.

Ad Hoc members, Mohr and Robledo will reach out to Mrs. Calleros to set up a meeting to begin planning. Director Venegas will send out a save the date to city departments.

## 4) Discussion Regarding Student Scholarship Budget

Director Venegas gave an update on the budget fund balance. The scholarship balance is currently \$3,085. He also informed the commission that he found the two missing donations that were discussed at last months' commission meeting. Vice Mayor Pacheco's \$1,000 donation was posted late and was not reflect on the balance report that was presented at the last commission meeting. He also shared that Republic was transitioning to new software and their donation fell thru the cracks will reissue the check. The revised fund balance is \$5,085. All accounts will be consolidated to one account. The remaining \$50.00 in the Elias Rodriguez account will be transferred to the general scholarship account.

## 5) Discussion Regarding Hosting A Table At The National Night Out Event

Vice Chair Zobel-Rodriguez shared that she has secured a table as well as materials that are needed. Commissioner Rodriguez will join Zobel-Rodriguez at commission table.

## 6) Discussion Regarding O'Melvany Elementary School's 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary

Chair Mohr is working on the history of O'Melvany Elementary. Mr. Venegas recommended presenting the certificate at the first city council meeting in November.

## 7) Discussion Regarding Donation Letter

Director Venegas will send the letter to the commission before the next meeting for any revisions. Last version is currently being worked on by staff and will be sent out to commission

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by the end of the week. Mr. Venegas asked commission to send him back with any revisions by the 2<sup>nd</sup> week of October.

## **GENERAL COMMISSIONER COMMENTS**

Vice Chair Zobel-Rodriguez shared that October 1<sup>st</sup> is the first day to submit FAFSA applications.

Chair Mohr shared that she would like to pull students in to education commission meetings to provide them with an opportunity to make public comments.

#### STAFF COMMUNICATION

Director Venegas provided the commission with recreation updates. On October 23<sup>rd</sup>, Beverly Wicker Rogers will be signing copies of her book *Reflections From Box 150*. This event will be taking place at the Lopez Adobe house. Beverly is also a direct descendant of the Lopez family. Registration for the San Fernando Mile Run registrations are still open to the public. Registration includes a t-shirt and medal. The mile begins on 8<sup>th</sup> street and Maclay down to 3<sup>rd</sup> street from 8am-12:30pm on Saturday, October 29<sup>th</sup>. The Dia De Los Muertos festival runs from 9am-4pm. He also shared that Las Palmas Park will be hosting an 11 day voting center starting on October 28<sup>th</sup>. Recreation Park will be hosting a 4 day voting center starting on October 29<sup>th</sup>. Provisional ballots will be accepted at either site.

Executive Assistant Calleros shared that Las Palmas Park is hosting a cooling center from 9am-9pm on September 28<sup>th</sup> due to extreme heat. The COVID-19 testing and booster site at Recreation Park is now administering the vaccine with the Omicron variant. Testing site hours are Tuesday-Saturday, 8am-4pm.

Mrs. Hernandez provided information on the senior lunch program at Las Palmas Park. Hot lunches are available for pick-up only, Monday thru Friday, 10:30am-12:00pm for adults 60 and over. The Elderly Home Delivered Meal Program is available for homebound city of San Fernando seniors 60 years of age and up. Delivery hours are Monday thru Friday 11am-1pm.

## ADJOURNMENT (5:45 p.m.)

I do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the minutes of September 27, 2022, meeting as approved by the Education Commission.

Maria Calleros
Executive Assistant