

**SAN FERNANDO EDUCATION COMMISSION
MINUTES**

**November 19, 2024 – 4:30 P.M.
SPECIAL MEETING**

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

CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL

Chair Angel Zobel-Rodriguez called the meeting to order at 4:32 p.m.

Members:

Present: Chair Angel Zobel-Rodriguez, Vice Chair David Govea, Commissioner Olivia Robledo, Commissioner Laurel Rodriguez and Commissioner Sonia Navarro

Absent:

Staff: Recreation and Community Services Director Julio Salcedo, Administrative Assistant Linda Bowden-Moreno and Office Clerk Soledad Chavez

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Led by Vice Chair Govea

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion made by Commissioner Robledo, seconded by Commissioner Olivia Robledo to approve the agenda. By consensus, the motion carried.

PRESENTATIONS

None

PUBLIC STATEMENTS – WRITTEN/ORAL

Ricardo Benitez, a Sylmar resident, expressed the importance for the community to engage and participate in the Education Commission meetings.

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CONSENT CALENDAR

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

- a. October 29, 2024

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

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

2) DISCUSSION AND SELECTION OF THE DECEMBER STUDENT OF THE MONTH- Vice Chair Govea announced there are no Student of the Month nominees at the moment as December and January have been merged and current meeting is being held two weeks earlier. He mentioned December's theme is "Leadership". Nominees will be chosen in December and awarded in the January meeting.

Chair Zobel-Rodriguez shared her participation at Social Justice Humanitas where she presented on Student of the Month and the food bank that is ran by students.

3) DISCUSSION REGARDING THE TEACHER'S SPOTLIGHT PROGRAM- Chair Zobel-Rodriguez motioned to nominate Fernando Lopez for the Teacher's Spotlight Program for January. Seconded by Vice Chair Govea. By consensus, the motion carried.

4) DISCUSSION REGARDING THE STUDENT SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM- Vice Chair Govea mentioned forms have been finalized and applications will be available by first week of December for school principals.

5) DISCUSSION REGARDING PRINCIPALS' BRUNCH- Commissioner Robledo mentioned the AdHoc meeting where they discussed their three theme ideas, timeline and planning. They recommended the Save the Date notice to be sent out, update the principals list and send formal letter on the first week of January. Also, recommended a special meeting on the second week of January, if needed. Commissioner Robledo requested to select a new Principals' Brunch AdHoc member as tonight is her last meeting.

Chair Zobel-Rodriguez nominated Commissioner Rodriguez to be added to the AdHoc for the Principals' Brunch. Seconded by Vice Chair Govea. By Consensus, the motion carried.

Commissioner Rodriguez recommended, per Vice Mayor Mary Mendoza, to promote dual enrollment programs for high school student at resource fairs. She also mentioned inviting occupational centers for those students who will not attend college.

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Vice Chair Govea motioned to select their theme “Preparing Our Community for the Future”. Seconded by Commissioner Rodriguez. By consensus, the motion carried.

Chair Zobel-Rodriguez motioned to select the third choice for the Principals’ Brunch Save the Date notification with purple and gold colors and add the line “See you there” to the bottom of the document. Seconded by Vice Chair Govea. By consensus, the motion carried.

STAFF COMMUNICATION

Staff presented on the Day of the Dead event, senior activities, youth and teen programs and upcoming city events and winter camp. At this time, the floor opened for any questions.

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

Commissioner Rodriguez recognized the Social Justice Humanitas food pantry run by students and thanked tonight’s public speaker for his suggestions.

Vice Chair Govea and Chair Zobel-Rodriguez thanked Commissioner Robledo for her years of service as a Commissioner.

Commissioner Robledo thanked Sylvia Ballin’s leadership for the Scholarship Program and thanked the community and Commission.

NEW DECEMBER AGENDA ITEMS:

- Regional Director Presentations
- Student of the Month
- Teacher’s Spotlight
- Scholarship
- Principal’s Brunch dates

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

ADJOURNMENT (5:39 p.m.)