



NOTICE

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

March 9, 2024

BAKERSFIELD, CALIFORNIA & Via ZOOM/TELEPHONIC

TO: BOARD OF DIRECTORS

FROM: PATRICK J. PINE, SECRETARY

COPY: JOHN C. LEMMO, GENERAL COUNSEL

**RE: NOTICE & AGENDA EPIC BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
Bakersfield, CA March 9, 2024**

DEAR BOARD OF DIRECTORS:
**PURSUANT TO FIELD'S BY-LAWS & THE CALIFORNIA BROWN ACT (GOVT. CODE § 54950
ET SEQ.)**
**PLEASE TAKE NOTICE THAT A BOARD OF DIRECTOR MEETING WILL TAKE PLACE
IN-PERSON, FOR THOSE THAT CAN ATTEND, AND TELEPHONICALLY AS FOLLOWS:**

DATE: March 9, 2024 at 9:00 AM

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

**Teleconference Location:
319 Driftwood Road, Corona Del Mar, CA 92625**

**Zoom Meeting/Teleconference Location:
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85728839890>**

By phone: (669) 444-9171 Meeting ID: 857 2883 9890

**FOR ANY QUESTIONS REGARDING THIS NOTICE PLEASE CONTACT DAVID VILLARINO AT:
davidv@fieldinstitute.org or (661) 972-8485**



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ON THE WEB: Agendas may be viewed at www.farmworkerinstitute.org

1. MEETING CALLED TO ORDER:

2. ESTABLISH A QUORUM:

Roll Call:

David Villarino

Dr. Mark Martinez

Nadia Villagran

Oscar Gonzales

Dr. Nora Dominguez

Ines De Luna

Greg Cervantes

Nonvoting:

Patrick Pine, Secretary

Michael Gomez, Treasurer

John C. Lemmo, General Counsel

Staff Present:

Rosa Ruelas

Vanessa Gutierrez

Dr. Tamar Asatryan

Maria Rawls

Carolina Martinez

David Weaver

Dr. Nora Dominguez

Courtney Adamson

3. SALUTE TO THE FLAG / FARMWORKER POEM

4. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

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.

6. CLOSE PUBLIC FORUM

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.

- a) Review Pending Litigation*

8. OPEN SESSION

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 November 29, 2023*
- b) Approval of Minutes from January 17, 2024*
- c) Approval of Minutes from February 2, 2024*

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.

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11. INFORMATION ITEMS:

1. David Villarino - President CEO

- a) Program Reports
- b) Expand the number of FIELD's Board Directors
- c) Mondragon Visit
- d) Investment in the Desert Palm Housing Project
- e) Update on FIELD Civic Engagement
- f) Update on FIELD Housing Construction
- g) Review NIAC insurance claims / CCEC Proposal within FIELD Enterprises
- h) Joseph Casas as General Counsel for FIELD & John Lemmo as EPIC Consultant

2. Rosa Ruelas - Financial Management

- a) Financials
- b) Election of the Auditor for Fiscal Year 2023-24
- c) Review 2022-23 Audited Financials

3. Carolina Martinez - Director, Human resources

- a) Human Resources Results vs. Plan

4. Maria Rawls - FIELD Advancement

- a) FIELD Advancement Results vs. Plan
 - i. Advancement & Construction

4. Dr. Tamar Asatryan - Strategic Initiatives

- a) Strategic Initiatives Results vs. Plan
- b) Board Resolution for CalRecycle Grants
- c) Career Technical Education
- d) Early Childhood Education

5. David Weaver - Director, Cesar Chavez Conservation Corps

- a. CCEC Results vs. Plan

12. OLD BUSINESS:

13. NEW BUSINESS:

FIELD:

1. **Action Item:** Shall the FIELD's EPIC Board of Trustees approve expanding the number of FIELD Board Directors from 7 to 9?
2. **Action Item:** Shall the FIELD's EPIC Board of Trustees approve the Desert Palm Housing Project Investment?
3. **Action Item:** Shall the FIELD Board of Directors approve FIELD Civic Engagement?
4. **Action Item:** Shall the FIELD Board of Directors approve FIELD housing construction?
5. **Action Item:** Shall the FIELD Board of Director approve NIAC insurance claims / CCEC Proposal within FIELD Enterprises?
6. **Action Item:** Shall the FIELD's EPIC Board of Trustees approve Joseph Casas as General Counsel for FIELD and John Lemmo as EPIC Consultant?
7. **Action Item:** Shall the FIELD's EPIC Board of Trustees approve the Election of the Auditor, Paul Hammonds for FY 2023-24?
8. **Action Item:** Shall the FIELD's EPIC Board of Trustees approve the 2022-23 Audited Financials?
9. **Action Item:** Shall the FIELD's EPIC Board of Trustees approve Advancement & Construction?
10. **Action Item:** Shall the FIELD's EPIC Board of Trustees approve the Board Resolution for CalRecycle Grants?

14. ADJOURNMENT:

Next Meeting Date: Regularly Scheduled FIELD Board Meeting; Saturday, June 22, 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.



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The Farmworkers Institute of Education and Leadership Development, Inc EPIC de CESAR CHAVEZ BOARD OF TRUSTEES

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- a. Executive Reports/Results vs. Plan
- b. Reduce the number of Board Trustees from 7 to 5
- c. Investment in the Desert Palm Housing Project
- d. Highland High School Expose and State Budget

2. Rosa Ruelas - Financial Management

- a. Financials
- b. 2nd Interim Report
- c. Election of the Auditor for Fiscal Year 2023-24
- d. Review 2022-23 Audited Financials

3. Dr. Nora Dominguez - Director, Educational Services

- a. Educational Services Results vs. Plan
- b. EPIC School Safety Plan
- c. EPIC School Accountability Report Card (SARC)

4. Vanessa Gutierrez - Director, EPIC Student Services

- a) Student Services Results vs Plan

12. OLD BUSINESS:

13. NEW BUSINESS:

EPIC:

1. **Action Item:** Shall the FIELD's EPIC Board of Trustees approve decreasing the number of EPIC Board Directors?
2. **Action Item:** Shall the FIELD's EPIC Board of Trustees approve the Desert Palm Housing Project Investment?
3. **Action Item:** Shall the FIELD's EPIC Board of Trustees approve Highland High School state budget?
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8. **Action Item:** Shall the FIELD's EPIC Board of Trustees approve the EPIC School Accountability Report Card (SARC)?

14. ADJOURNMENT:

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