



SPECIAL BOARD MEETING MINUTES

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

Location: Farmworkers Institute of Education & Leadership Development
FIELD CTE Operations Center
2240 S. Union Ave
Bakersfield, CA 93307

Teleconference Locations:
1107 5th St, Davis, CA 95616
4900 California Avenue, Bakersfield, CA
Sacramento Convention Center, Sacramento, CA

Zoom Meeting/Teleconference Location:
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87075232074>
By Phone: (669) 444-9171 Meeting ID: 870 7523 2074

Tuesday, April 16, 2024 at 2:00pm

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- 1. MEETING CALLED TO ORDER:** *Mr. Villarino called the meeting to order at 2:04 pm*
- 2. ESTABLISH A QUORUM:** *Established a quorum at 2:04 pm*

Roll Call:

David Villarino (<i>present</i>)	Dr. Nora Dominguez (<i>present</i>)
Dr. Mark Martinez (<i>not present</i>)	Ines De Luna (<i>present</i>)
Nadia Villagran (<i>present</i>)	Greg Cervantes (<i>present</i>)
Oscar Gonzales (<i>present</i>)	

Nonvoting:

Patrick Pine, Secretary (*present, joined at 2:08 pm*)
Michael Gomez, Treasurer (*not present*)

Staff Present:

Courtney Adamson (*present*)

3. SALUTE TO THE FLAG / FARMWORKER POEM

4. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

Chair entertained a motion to adopt the Agenda for FIELD. There was no discussion and the motion was approved by David Villarino, Greg Cervantes, Ines De Luna, Nadia Villagran, Dr. Nora Dominguez, and Oscar Gonzales.

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.

- *Mr. Villarino opened the public forum at 2:05 pm.*

6. CLOSE PUBLIC FORUM

- *Mr. Villarino closed the public forum at 2:05 pm.*

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.

- *No Closed Session*

8. OPEN SESSION

- *The open session began at 2:06 pm.*

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:

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.

There is very limited board discussion, between the board, except to ask questions or refer matters to staff, and no action will be taken unless listed elsewhere on the agenda or on a subsequent agenda.

11. INFORMATION ITEMS:

1. David Villarino - President CEO

- a. Request of short-term sabbatical.

Mr. Villarino requested a 6-month sabbatical broken into one or two months for the next couple of years. The first period would be from April 25th through May 13 on his visit to Mondragon in Spain where the main focus would be cooperatives. Vanessa Gutierrez, Director of Student Services will be acting in his place during the first two weeks mentioned above.

12. OLD BUSINESS:

- *No old business*

13. NEW BUSINESS:

- 1. **Action Item:** Shall the FIELD's Board of Trustees approve the request of a short-term sabbatical of David Villarino, CEO/President?

Chair made a motion to approve the request for a short-term sabbatical of six months to be taken sporadically over the next two years. All agreed to address the issue further, including dates, acting interim, and duties during the next board meeting in June. The first two weeks of sabbatical will take place from April 25th through May 13th excluding the dates of the Mondragon Conference. Greg Cervantes moved, Ines De Luna seconded. Discussion during information Items and the motion was approved by Nadia Villagran, Dr. Nora Dominguez, Oscar Gonzales, Ines De Luna and Greg Cervantes. David Villarino abstained.

14. ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting adjourned at 2:10 pm.

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.