

LULAC COUNCIL 8003

MEETING MINUTES

December 10, 2024

The regular monthly meeting of LULAC Council 8003 was called to order by President Fred Baca at 5:38pm at the Polo Sierra LULAC Hall. The opening prayer was led by Frances Vasquez in the absence of the Chaplain. We recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL: President, Fred Baca, present. Vice-President, Fred Marquez, present. Secretary/Treasurer, Frances Vasquez, present. Chaplain, absent. Parliamentarian, Danny Vasquez, present. Building Manager, Fred Baca, present. Also present were Bea McKinney, Javier Marrufo, Deb Sierra, Rudy Martinez.

INTRODUCTION OF GUEST(S): James Treat introduced himself. He came to observe.

APPLICATION(S) FOR MEMBERSHIP: Gabriella Greca picked up a membership application form at the Tamal Fiesta. Gilbert Guadiana submitted \$21.00 cash for membership dues.

MINUTES FROM THE PREVIOUS MEETING (November 12, 2024): Copies of the minutes of the previous meeting were available for review. Fred Marquez made the motion to approve the minutes as submitted. Bea McKinney seconded the motion and vote was unanimous in favor of the motion.

TREASURER'S REPORT (November 12, 2024): Copies of the Treasurer's Report were available for review: General Account, \$61.88. Mariachi Account (repurposed to Menudo y Chorizo, repurposed to NM LULAC Convention 2024, \$3038.83. Building Account, \$1729.04. Raffle Account (Savings Account)(repurposed to Scholarship Account), \$120.59. Bingo Account, \$39.11). Javi made the motion to approve the Treasurer's Report as submitted. Lisa seconded the motion and vote was unanimous in favor of the motion. Javi did inquire about the status of the funds from the State LULAC Convention that are to be sent to the State LULAC. Fred Baca answered that he is anticipating that the registration fees will be sent to the New Mexico State LULAC.

REPORTS

Building – Fred Baca reported on the outdoor night light. The hall was rented on Saturday, December 14 for a baby shower. A fee of \$100 was paid. Vangie Montes used the hall on December 24 for a family Christmas gathering. The facility was very tidy after use. Fred reports that the heater is working satisfactorily.

National LULAC – Fred Baca reported on the National President and CEO.

NEW MEXICO STATE LULAC – Fred Baca reported no new information regarding the State convention but he did indicate the change in the constitution regarding the proposed dates of the State Convention 2025 and National Convention 2025.

OLD BUSINESS: Javi reported on the Tamal Fiesta. Jessica, Bea McKinney, Renee Provencio and Mikki Jemin were volunteers along with Fermin, Javi and Fred Baca. Fermin won the 50/50 raffle - \$142.00.

Bea McKinney reported on the “round up” program at the Silver City Co-op and the Gila Community Foundation.

NEW BUSINESS: LULAC Council 8003 will not participate in the Silver City Museum Victorian Christmas this year. Francis Fischer will have a booth. Congratulations to Bea McKinney on her recognition as Volunteer of the Year by the Silver City/Grant County Chamber of Commerce.

Fundraising ideas were discussed. Jessica suggested a car show. Rudy Martinez suggested a meat raffle.

GOOD AND WELFARE OF THE LEAGUE: Jessica reported on Big Brothers Big Sisters – she has youth with requested gift lists for persons wanting to participate. Frances announced Los Posadas and again suggested that LULAC Council 8003 consider participating next Christmas in an effort to provide the community – and especially the La Capilla residents and Chicano residents – the opportunity to continue a cultural tradition.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING: Tuesday, January 14, 2025 (Lynn's birthday)

ADJOURN: Motion by Fred Marquez, second by Deb Sierra. Unanimous. Adjourn 7:00pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Frances Vasquez, secretary