

LULAC COUNCIL 8003

MEETING MINUTES

August 12, 2025

The regular monthly meeting of LULAC Council 8003 was called to order by President Fred Baca at 5:35pm at the Polo Sierra LULAC Hall. The opening prayer was read by Chaplain Renee Provencio. We recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL: President, Fred Baca, present. Vice-President, Javier Marrufo, present. Secretary-Treasurer, Frances Vasquez, present. Chaplain, Renee Provencio, present. Parliamentarian, Danny Vasquez, present. Building Manager, Fred Baca, present. Also present were Manuela Jenkins, Marivel Medel, Rudy Martinez, Rosemary Peru, Robert Peru, Margie Gomez, Ted Pressler, Mikki Jemin, Fred Marquez, Jessica Salaiz, and Della Acosta.

INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS: Gila Community Foundation representatives Seacrest, Priscilla Lucero., Jamie Whitney, explaining the foundation goals and services. George Carr speaking on immigration and distributed hand cards "Know your rights"

APPLICATION(S) FOR MEMBERSHIP: None.

MINUTES FROM THE PREVIOUS MEETING (July 15, 2025) Copies of the minutes were distributed for review. There was discussion regarding the Brewer Hill Project. It was decided that the recorded motion and second establishing LULAC as a "general sponsor" of the Brewer Hill project is erroneous. The correct vocabulary is that LULAC supports the Brewer Hill project. Renee made a motion to approve the minutes as corrected. Jessica seconded the motion and vote was unanimous in favor of the motion.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Available for review.

REPORTS

Building – Fred Baca reported that there are no leaks after the rains, weeds are growing, building insurance premiums are paid and the utility costs are reasonable.

New Mexico LULAC – Fred Baca reported that the New Mexico State LULAC Convention will be Fri-Sat-Sun at the Ohkay Casino and Resort in Espanola. A Town Hall with Rep. Teresa Leger-Fernandez is on the agenda. Renee made the motion to appoint 5 delegates to the convention - Francis Fischer, Javier Marrufo, Manuela Jenkins, Rudy Martinez and Della Acosta; and Brianna Fischer as alternate. Jessica seconded the motion and vote was unanimous in favor of the motion. Fred Marquez made the motion that LULAC Council 8003 will pay registration fees and Women's Luncheon fees. Bea McKinney seconded the motion and vote was unanimous in favor of the motion. Frances Vasquez will write the check and Fred Baca will hand carry the check. The Veteran's breakfast is free of charge. Fred Baca and Manuela Jenkins have composed poster board collages to display that reflect the activities of LULAC Council 8003.

Rudy Martinez reported that the Veteran's Breakfast will be free of charge due to the generous support of a sponsor.

OLD BUSINESS

Brewer Hill Project – There was clarification that the Brewer Hill Project is not a museum project. Javier Marrufo is the person who will be responsible for communication. The next planning meeting will be August 28.

NEW BUSINESS

Renee Provencio announced that the Bayard Public Library will sponsor an activity for Dia de los Muertos on October 18 with poetry reading. She requested that LULAC Council 8003 be a sponsor at a cost of approximately \$170-\$200. Javier made the motion to approve the role of LULAC Council 8003. Bea McKinney seconded the motion and vote was unanimous in favor of the motion.

Marivel announced that WNMU will be sponsoring an event on Friday, September 19 for Hispanic Heritage Month. Marivel explained the goal of awarding a scholarship to a dual enrollment student from Deming. Jessica made the motion that LULAC Council 8003 provide the funds for the scholarship. Mikki seconded the motion and vote was unanimous in favor of the motion. Marivel will be responsible for selecting the scholarship recipient. Lisa Vasquez, Robert and Rosemary Peru, Javier Marrufo and Marivel Medel, and Bea McKinney each donated \$100 towards the scholarship.

GOOD AND WELFARE OF THE LEAGUE:

Ted Pressler shared information regarding Spanish classes offered.

A golf tournament will be a fundraiser event for St. Vincent's.

ADJOURN: Marivel made the motion to adjourn. Renee seconded the motion and vote was unanimous in favor of the motion. Meeting adjourned at 7:45pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Frances Vasquez,

Secretary