

LULAC COUNCIL 8003

MEETING MINUTES

September 9, 2025

The regular monthly meeting of LULAC Council 8003 was called to order by President Fred Baca at 5:36pm at the Polo Sierra LULAC Hall. The opening prayer was led by Manuela Jenkins in the absence of the Chaplain.

ROLL CALL: President, Fred Baca, present. Vice President, Javier Marrufo, absent. Secretary-Treasurer, Frances Vasquez, present. Chaplain, Renee Provencio, absent. Parliamentarian, Danny Vasquez, present. Building Manager, Fred Baca, present. Also present were Manuela Jenkins, Mikki Jemin, Gilbert Najar, John MacMurray, Della Acosta, Lisa Vasquez, Jessica Salaiz, Rudy Martinez. Bea McKinney, Ted Pressler and Deb Sierra.

INTRODUCTION OF GUEST(S): Simon Wheaton-Smith, candidate for Mayor Silver City, shared information regarding his campaign. Ray Goellner, President of Rotary Club of Silver City introduced us to the activities of the Rotary Club and invited interested persons to attend the regular meetings every Tuesday at noon in the conference meeting room at Gila Regional Medical Center.

APPLICATION(S) FOR MEMBERSHIP: None

MINUTES FROM THE PREVIOUS MEETING (August 12, 2025) Copies of the minutes of the previous meeting were available for review. There was a correction on the spelling of the name guest Jamie Sechrist. Also corrected was the omission of Mikki Jemin donating a check for \$100 for the Scholarships to be presented at the WNMU Hispanic Heritage event. Lisa made the motion to approve the minutes as corrected. Rudy Martinez seconded the motion and vote was unanimous in favor of the motion.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Copies of the Treasurer's Report were available for review.

REPORTS

Building – Fred Baca reported that one of the faucets in the ladies restroom is in need of repair.

OLD BUSINESS

2025 New Mexico State LULAC Convention – Fred Baca reported that the convention was successful – including the attendance of the National LULAC President as well as Lt. Gov. Howie Morales and Senator Ben Ray Lujan. Rudy Martinez reported on the first annual Veteran's Recognition Breakfast and expressed gratitude to LULAC Council 8003 for the \$200 donation to support the event. The 2026 New Mexico LULAC State Convention will be hosted by Council from Alamogordo and Las Cruces, most likely at the Inn of the Mountain Gods in Ruidoso.

2025 LULAC Council 8003 Annual Awards Banquet – Manuela Jenkins, Deb Sierra and Mikki Jemin have planned the event for Saturday, Sept 13, 2025 at the LULAC Hall.

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NEW BUSINESS

Fred Baca reported that he will represent LULAC Council 8003 at the invitation of The Episcopal Church of the Good Shepherd in participating in the successful group project of recognizing first responders in observance of 9/11 by delivering trays of homemade cookies with a certificate and letter of appreciation to local first responders.

GOOD AND WELFARE OF THE LEAGUE

Jessica reported that she has merged her duties in Big Brothers/Big Sisters with the Albuquerque unit.

Manuela shared information regarding the Silver City Public Library – including “Love Your Library” activities and games 11:00-2:00 and Literacy Link Leamos.

Bea McKinney shared information of the Silver City Museum programs at the WNMU Global Resource Center.

Eri Vreeland is scheduled to host a campaign event at the LULAC Hall on Sept. 19.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING: Wednesday, October 14, 2025

ADJOURN: Della made the motion to adjourn. John MacMurray seconded the motion and vote was unanimous in favor of the motion. Meeting adjourned at 7:23pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Frances Vasquez,

Secretary