

LULAC COUNCIL 8003

MEETING MINUTES

January 13, 2026

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 Renee Provencio, Chaplain. 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. Building Manager, Fred Baca, present. Also present were Rudy Dominguez, Oly Sturdevant, Bea McKinney, Gilbert Guadiana, Mikki Jeminm, Simon Sotelo, Rudy Martinez, Aimee Jaurequi and Deb Sierra.

INTRODUCTION OF GUEST(S): Aimee Jaurequi, representing Bridge Village, had information of the history of the non-profit group as well as their goals. Rudy Martinez is also a member of the Board for Bridge Village. Renee stated that the Bayard Public Library is available to provide graphic support for the project.

APPLICATION(S) FOR MEMBERSHIP: None.

MINUTES FROM THE PREVIOUS MEETING: Minutes from the previous meeting of November 11, 2025 were available for review. Renee made the motion to approve the minutes as submitted. Javier seconded the motion and vote was unanimous in favor of the motion.

REPORTS

Building –Fred Baca reported that the electric cord to the freezer in the kitchen was somehow disconnected and all the contents thawed. Fred emptied the freezer and cleaned it out. The freezer has now been relocated to an area in the main meeting room. Fred reported that the heater is working. *There was a discussion re: possible floor covering.*

National LULAC: Javier reported that there has not been a meeting of the National LULAC.

New Mexico State LULAC: Javier reported on the proposed plan that would improve communication with a new website and newsletter. State documents will soon be due. Lynn Baca prepares the documents for LULAC Council 8003.

OLD BUSINESS

Javier brought up the subject of Las Posadas for 2026 and suggested a committee to plan. Renee made the motion to establish a committee. Oly seconded the motion and vote was unanimous in favor of the motion.

There was discussion of the project of selecting a book and author for the annual Word Fiesta.

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NEW BUSINESS

Javier suggested a bingo once each quarter as a fundraiser. It would probably require 7-10 volunteers.

Deb reported that the Silver City Public Library is sponsoring poetry reading. On Feb 21 there will be "Love and Friendship Poetry" offering a poetry bingo card and participants can win prizes. Mikki made the motion for LULAC to support the activity and donate \$75.00. Deb seconded the motion *and vote was unanimous in favor of the motion.*

Javi recommended an upgrade to the kitchen which would include an inventory of the contents. Rudy Martinez made the motion to proceed with the project and Deb seconded the motion. Vote was unanimous in favor of the motion.

Renee reported on a poetry project at the Bayard Public Library. She requested a donation of \$50-\$75 to support the project.

Deb Sierra volunteered to represent LULAC at the Silver City Museum.

GOOD AND WELFARE OF THE LEAGUE:

The father of Fred Marquez passed away. LULAC will provide the customary \$100 to the family.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING: February 10, 2026

ADJOURN: Mikki made the motion to adjourn. Bea seconded the motion. Meeting adjourned at 7:31pm.

Respectfully submitted,



Frances Vasquez, secretary