LULAC COUNCIL 8003

MEETING MINUTES

October 20, 2026

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

ROLL CALL: President, Fred Baca, present. Vice President, Javier Marrufo, present. Secretary/ Treasurer, Frances Vasquez, present. Chaplain, Marivel Medel, absent. Parliamentarian, Danny Vasquez, present. Building Co-Managers, Fred Baca and Oly Perez, present. Also present were Annie Sierra, Pat Sierra, Bea McKinney, Mikki Jemin, Simon Sotelo, Elisha Montoya, Jessica Salaiz, Gail Langsner, Ted Pressler, Edward Flores, Fred Marquez, Elisha Sanchez.

INTRODUCTION OF GUEST(S): None.

APPLICATION(S) FOR MEMBERSHIP: Simon Sotelo made the motion to approve the membership application for Elisha Montoya. Bea McKinney seconded the motion and vote was unanimous in favor of the motion.

MINUTES FROM THE PREVIOUS MEETING OF SEPTEMBER 15, 2026: Copies of the minutes of the previous meeting of September 15, 2026 were available for review. The minutes were corrected to read "Southwest **BOOK** Festival." Mikki made the motion to approve as corrected. Simon seconded the motion and vote was unanimous in favor of the motion.

TREASURER REPORT: General Account, $591.81; Building Account, $761.28; Mariachi Account, $3518.85; Raffle Account, $572.07; Bingo Account, $39.11. Bea McKinney made the motion to approve the Treasurer's Report as submitted. Annie Sierra seconded the motion and vote was unanimous in favor of the motion.

REPORTS

Building – Fred Baca reported that he had cut some weeds on the property and youth under the supervision of Mr. Stailey cut some weeds and will return in November to cut more weeds. The swamp cooler has been covered and the heater is operable.Thank you to Ted Pressler for the specialized locks for the refrigerators. Fred reminded users of the lock box to spin the numbers after use to avoid the possibility of someone gaining access to the key.

National LULAC – Javier reported no communication.

New Mexico State LULAC – Javier reported concerns of animosity from the Indo-Hispano Institute. New Mexico State LULAC is looking for a new web sight designer. New Mexico State LULAC zoom meetings have had low attendance. The New Mexico State LULAC has signed a letter to the New Mexico Environment Dept in opposition to Data Center air quality.

OLD BUSINESS

Javier reported there have been two meetings to plan for Las Posadas. The dates selected will be Dec 17-18-19. The next planning meeting will be October 27 at noon.

Dia de los Muertos – Jessica Salaiz reported that the observance will be in Santa Clara at the Viola Stone Park, 4:00-8:00 – will include face painting, trunk or treat, cake walk, performances by Keana Huerta and Angelica Padilla. LULAC will be represented with Corn Hole and prizes.

Data Centers – Oly Perez reported that the Grant County Commission will meet on Thursday at 9:00am. On the agenda will be a moratorium of one year against Data Centers.

NEW BUSINESS

The monthly potluck will be Nov. 3.

GOOD AND WELFARE OF THE LEAGUE

Oly reported that the book club will meet on Oct. 26 at 5:30pm at the LULAC hall.

Ted Pressler reported that Nick Seibel has announced a "Recipe of the Week" sponsored by the Silver City Daily Press. A possible fundraiser would be to raffle a trip to Penasco or to Mata Ortiz.

Fred Marquez suggested a 50/50 raffle or football squares as a fundraiser.

Bea McKinney shared information regarding the Bridge Village brochure and information on the Tamal Fiesta.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING: December 15, 2026

ADJOURNMENT: Meeting adjourned at 7:10pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Frances Vasquez,

Secretary