



El Centro del Quinto Sol
Advisory Board of Directors Meeting Minutes
June 4, 2024
5:30pm at El Centro del Quinto Sol

- I. Call to Order: Board Chair Tom Carrigan called the meeting to order at 5:35pm

- II. Roll Call:
Present: Mindy Armijo, Member
Tom Carrigan, Chair
Janelle Quick, Member
Veronica Collins, Program Coordinator
Tamara Moore, Recreation Supervisor

Absent: Joe Latino, Member (not present at Roll Call - arrived at 6:20pm)

- III. Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes: May 7, 2024. Janelle Quick motioned to approve minutes as submitted, seconded by Mindy Armijo.

IV. Announcements:

Chair Announcements:

- Tom Carrigan stated he will be late to the BBQ event on Friday due to a previous engagement. Janelle stated she would be in attendance and bringing two CSU-P students to help.

Board Terms:

- Tamara shared that the current term of Mindy and Tom will expire on August 31, 2024 and they will need to reapply by July 15, 2024 if they wish to serve a second term. Tamara also shared that the Mayor appointed Alyssa Vargas-Lopez to serve the remainder of Maria's term, with Council's approval set for June 10, 2024.

July Meeting:

- Tamara inquired about next month's anticipated attendance due to the closeness to the Independence Day holiday. Tamara will be absent, but Veronica will be able to attend and take minutes. The Board decided to keep the July meeting as scheduled.

Center Programs/Events Updates:

- Veronica reported the attendance for May was 703.
- Veronica presented her plan and schedule for the Summer Kickoff event scheduled for Friday, June 7 at 12pm.
- Veronica shared her plan for summer programs to engage the kids mentally and physically, focusing on the idea of quality and structure to entice more participation.

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V. Old Business:

Construction Update:

- Tamara shared that the pre-construction meeting is scheduled for Tuesday next week.

Partnership with Library:

- Tamara shared that the City and Library legal teams are working on the MOU. Veronica and Tamara are scheduled to meet with the Lucero Library staff on June 13 to work on complementing program schedules.

VI. New Business:

Brownfields Multipurpose, Assessment, and Cleanup (MAC) Grant:

- Tamara shared that the City received a \$1million Brownfields MAC grant for three sites including El Centro for asbestos abatement. It is unknown how this may impact the current remodel construction project.

Rental Rates:

- Tamara and Veronica presented proposed rental rates for El Centro. Rates are based on research of local entities that offer spaces for rent, as well as current Parks and Recreation rental facility rates. Janelle questioned if deposit amounts would prohibit use. Tom stated that he wants to see more use of the facility and would encourage rentals.

VII. Board Comments:

- Janelle asked Veronica if she received the email from her with some community connection contacts. Janelle invited Veronica to join her as her guest at the Latino Chamber of Commerce Coffee Break on June 5 at 8am. Janelle also shared that PHEF is having golf tournament on June 21. They are still looking for sponsors and players.
- Joe expressed concerns about the security and safety of the kids on the skatepark and around El Centro and asked how many times the Park Rangers patrol at El Centro. Veronica and Tamara did not have an exact number, but expressed that the Park Rangers have a presence and respond when contacted.
- Tom shared that VFW has received a grant to help subsidize and provide for food insecurities. Care and Share is actively looking for partners to help support the Sunny Side Market. Tom also shared that he will be at the makers mart at Walter's on June 15 and at Steel City Art Works Gallery on June 7 from 5-8pm.

VIII. Adjournment: Janelle Quick motioned to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Joe Latino. Meeting adjourned at 6:36pm.

Next meeting: Tuesday, July 2 @ 5:30pm, El Centro del Quinto Sol

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